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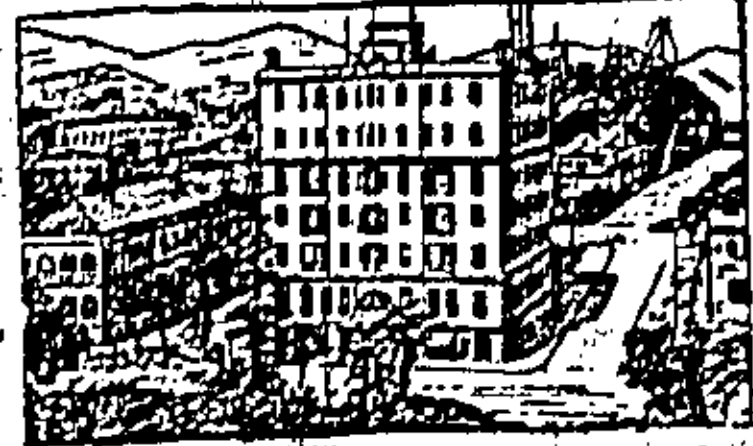
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OUR TENNIS CHAMPIONS.

NOTES ON THE SEMI-FINALISTS.

UNUSUALLY HIGH STANDARD.

This year's tennis tournament under the auspices of the Hong Kong Cricket Club has proved of exceptional interest. The semi-final stages have been reached and the following notes on the players left in the open singles and doubles Championships of the Colony will interest all local exponents of the game.

Four players remain in the Open Singles Championship of the Colony, viz. Ng Sze Kwong, H. D. Rumjahn, T. Honda and S. A. Rumjahn. There is little doubt that from the form the semi-finalists as shown during the current tournament that they are the pick of the 64 who originally competed in this event. The semi-final matches, which will be played next week, are expected to be the best for many years and it is extremely difficult to forecast which two will qualify for the final.

NG SZE KWONG.

Ng Sze Kwong has the biggest reputation of the four players. He has been Singles Champion of the Chinese Recreation Club for over a decade, Singles Champion of the Colony for six consecutive years (1919-1923), Doubles Champion of the Colony (with Wong Po Keung) for three consecutive years and with Wei Wing Lok for two years. He has, besides, represented Hong Kong in Interport Matches and China in the Far Eastern Olympic Games. His experience is a decided advantage and he is out to regain the title he lost to Honda in 1924. It will be interesting to see whether he will be successful this time.

H. D. RUMJAHN.

H. D. Rumjahn meets him in the semi-final of the four. He won the Open Doubles, in 1924, when he partnered his cousin, O. Rumjahn, who is now figuring prominently in Tientsin. He was champion of the Indian Recreation Club in 1924. He reaches the semi-final for the second time in his career and has shown a great improvement on his last year's form. A remarkably cool player, he volleys with grace and accuracy. His wrist work is, perhaps, the best in the Colony.

T. HONDA.

T. Honda is by reputation the cleverest of the four. In 1924 when he won the Championship he was the first man for six consecutive years to beat Ng Sze Kwong. Capt. O'Callaghan beat him the following year and last season he recovered the championship after a close match in the final with S. A. Rumjahn whom he meets in the semi-final this time. He has lost two other matches only since he came here in 1923, one to O. Rumjahn and the other to H. Snodgrass, both exhibition matches.

S. A. RUMJAHN.

S. A. Rumjahn, the fourth, has shown consistent form since he joined the tournament in 1921. He is a good all round player and aggressive, though at times reckless. He has been the leading light of the Indian players and is the holder of the Singles Championship of the Indian Recreation Club. Many of his supporters have confidence that he will beat Honda this time, but much depends upon his form on the day of the match.

OPEN DOUBLES.

The Rumjahn cousins are now hot favourites by virtue of the absence of Ng Sze Kwong and Ng Sze Kwong and the Fincher brothers and unless something extraordinary happens they will win this event for the third time in succession.

Yew Man Tsun and Yew Man Kit appear in the first semi-final. As a pair, they combine very well and are expected to give a good account of themselves against Honda and Akiyama. It should not beyond their ability to win. They entered together in 1924 when they gave the Lo brothers a close run in the second round. T. Honda and Akiyama appear for the first time together this year. Their combination is perhaps not what a first class match demands, but they certainly must be given credit for beating Ng Sze Kwong and Ng Sze Kwong in the fourth round. It is many years since a Japanese pair entered the semi-final.

A NEW YORK MURDER.

"WOMAN AND HER LOVER."

REMARKABLE CONFESSIONS.

New York. Full confessions were obtained from Mrs. Ruth Snyder and Henry Gray of plotting and executing one of the most cold-blooded and remorseless murders in the history of this country, with Mr. Albert Snyder, art editor of a local magazine, as the victim. The confessions disclose that Mrs. Snyder and her lover Gray talked over plans to get rid of Mr. Snyder three weeks previously, arranged details by mail and telephone, and planned what they considered to be perfect alibis to establish their innocence. Mrs. Snyder, in anticipation of her husband's death, increased his life insurance recently from \$2,000 to \$25,000.

Gray, who is the same age as Mrs. Snyder—just past 30—swears that the woman threatened to tell her husband and Gray's wife of their illicit relations unless he consented to help her to get rid of her husband whose only admitted fault was that he liked to stay at home at night and recanted his wife's penchant for gay cocktail parties. When Mr. Snyder retired to bed early on Sunday morning Mrs. Snyder, according to statements made, stole downstairs, opened the door to her lover, and, sitting over a bottle of whiskey, the two planned the final details of Mr. Snyder's destruction. While her daughter slept peacefully in an adjoining bedroom Mrs. Snyder watched Gray chloroform Mr. Snyder, strike him on the head with a window sash weight, and tighten picture wire about his neck. Gray swears that Mrs. Snyder helped to bind her dead husband's hands and feet.

The woman at first declared that she had been surprised by burglars, who had bound and gagged her and robbed her home.

MOTHER'S DAY.

This month's Red Triangle magazine contains an article on "Mother's Day"—a day which has been allotted especially to the remembrance of mothers. Describing the object of Mother's Day, the article says: Let us then think of Mother on this her day, far away in the Homeland. In the closing days of her busy life, she is thinking of us as little chaps needing her care. She recalls the time in the past when we told her all the worries of school; and the time when we went out to take our part in the larger life of the world. But to her we are always boys, and with a splendid faith she believes we are good boys too; may we always live up to her ideals.

On Sunday night at the Kowloon Y.M.C.A. special reference will be made to this day during the Quiet Hour.

PROVIDING FOR THE SERVICES.

KOWLOON DOCK BATHING FACILITIES.

It was mentioned some time ago that the Kowloon Dock European staff had a scheme in hand for doing something for the recreation of the Services. This scheme has now been developed, and the Kowloon Dock United Services Club is to open on Sunday for the use of the Forces now in the Colony. The bathing attached is to be open every day, and the recreation shed will also be at the disposal of the Service men, where they can also obtain tea, minerals and cakes. Two or three hundred men are likely to be catered for at the start, but with the expected increases in Forces it will probably be necessary to have another bathing shed put up.

since a Japanese pair entered the semi-final. I. M. Razack and J. A. Cassimboy are the youngest players of the four surviving pairs. They beat the Fincher brothers in a very surprising manner in the third round, but are not expected to do the same trick against their club mates, H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn. H. D. Rumjahn and S. A. Rumjahn make the strongest combination of the four pairs. They have won the Open Doubles for two years now and a win for them this time will give them the possession of the Ho Fook Challenge Cups. At the present time, both of them are playing in good form.

DIARY OF EVENTS.

Today.
Jumble Sale (H.K. Benevolent Society), City Hall, 2.30 p.m.
H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament (details in sports column daily).
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy, King Edward Hotel and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.
Dinner dance, Cafe Parisien, 8 p.m.
Service Men's Concert "Cheer O' Y.M.C.A."
H.K. Dance Club carnival and fancy dress dance, Lane, Crawford's Cafe, 8.30 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Unholy Three."
World Theatre: "The Freshman."
Star Theatre: "Big Brother."
Lee Theatre: Professor Harry Piser (Occult Science Performance, etc.), 9.15 p.m.
Principal Mails:—Outward: Australia, etc. (Arafura), 2.30 p.m.; Europe via Siberia (Szechuen), 5 p.m.

Saturday.
Macao Race and Recreation Club Athletic Meeting.
Football:—Lai Wah Final: Civilians (holders) v. Army, H.K. F.C. ground.
Yachting: Closing Cruise at Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club.
Postponed Steeplechase Meeting at Kwai.
H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament (details in sports column daily).
Quarry Bay Cup competition, Volunteer Headquarters, 3.30 p.m.
Hockey: Wanderers v. 5/2 Punjabis, 4.30 p.m.
Tennis League:—Division "A": H.K.C.C. v. C.C.C.; U.S.R.C. v. M.B.K.; Division "B": C.C.C. v. H.K.C.C.; M.B.K. v. S.R.C.; Club de Recreio v. Nippon Club, University v. S.C.A.A.; C.C.C. v. R.E. Division "C": H.K.C.C. v. K.C.C.; Nippon Club v. C.R.C.; Club de Recreio v. S.C.A.A.; Kowloon British School v. F.P.A.; C.C.C. v. Netherlands T.C. v. Talkoo R.C.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.
Entries close for Amateur Boxing Tournament, V.R.C., 6 p.m.
Dinner dance, Cafe Parisien, 8 p.m.

Sunday.
No. 2 Platoon Rifle Club 3rd meeting, Peak Range, 9 a.m.
Macao Race and Recreation Club Athletic Meeting.
H.K.C.C. annual sports meeting, H.K.C.C. ground, Happy Valley.
Social Gathering, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 8 p.m.
Principal Mails:—Inward: Canada, U.S.A., etc. (President Lincoln).
Monday.
H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament (details in sports column daily).
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy, King Edward Hotel, and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.
Combined dinner and concert of Mounted Infantry and Armoured Car Companies, Volunteer Headquarters, 8 p.m.
Dinner Dance, Cafe Parisien, 8 p.m.
Royal Engineers' and Royal Corps of Signals dance R.E. Theatre Wellington Barracks, 8.30 p.m.
Principal Mails:—Outward: Europe via Siberia (Suva Maru), 10.30 a.m.; Europe via Siberia (Ancon), 5 p.m.

Tuesday.
Spring Festival at Quarry Bay School, 11 a.m.
South China Command Rifle Meeting.
Macao Race and Recreation Club Athletic Meeting.
H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament (details in sports column daily).
Sanitary Board Meeting, 4.15 p.m.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.
Dinner dance, Cafe Parisien, 8 p.m.
Principal Mails:—Outward: Canada, America, etc., and Europe via Victoria and via Siberia (President Jefferson), 5 p.m.; Europe via Siberia (Shingo Maru), 10.30 a.m.

Wednesday.
H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament (details in sports column daily).
Tea dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy, King Edward Hotel and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.
Amateur Boxing Tournament, Victoria Recreation Club, 6 p.m. and 9 p.m.

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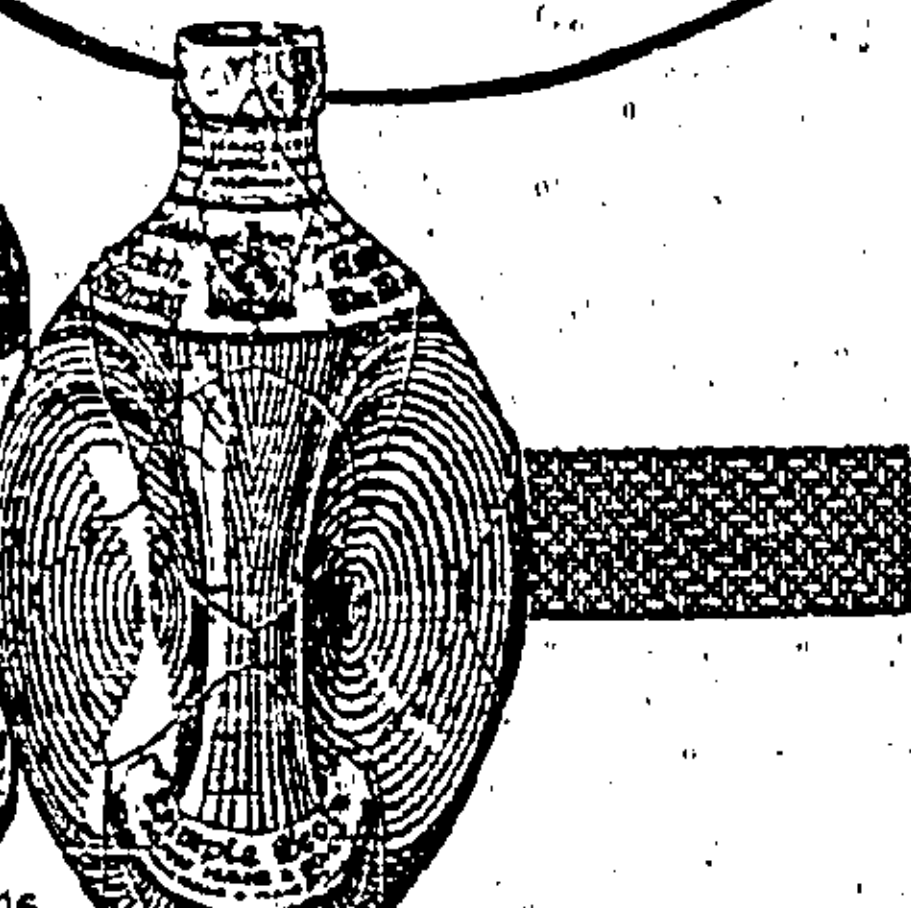
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**HONG KONG VOLUNTEER
DEFENCE CORPS.**

[ORDERS BY LT.-COL. L. O. HED, D.S.O.,
ADMINISTRATIVE COMMANDANT.]

No. 274.

1.—Recruits Parade.

All recruits of the Corps will
parade at Volunteer Headquarters
at 3.30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 3rd,
1927, for Musketry Instruction.

Dress: Uniform optional, belt,
braces and pouches, rifle and
bayonet.

2.—Garrison Rifle Meeting.

The Corps Rifle Team competing
in the Garrison Rifle Meeting on
May 3rd will carry out practice on
Stoncutters' Range on Sunday,
May 1st. Dress: Musketry order;
Team composed as under:—

Team Commander: 2/Lieut. H.
Owen Hughes. Members: Captain
D. C. Logan, M.C., Lieut. E. J. R.
Mitchell, L/Cpl. A. M. B. Rocha,
Pte. G. R. Maskell, Pte. G. E.
Stephens, Pte. T. M. Pile, Pte. K.
C. McLennan, one private from
Infantry Co. Reserve: Corpl. C.
Young.

Launch leaves Murray Pier at 9
a.m. Rifles can be drawn on Sun-
day morning.

3.—Artillery Company.

Parade will be held at Volunteer
Headquarters on Thursday, May
4th, 1927, at 5.30 p.m., for Gun
Howitzer Gun Drill and Signalling.
Dress: Muli.

4.—Armoured Infantry Company.
Mounted Parade at Stables on
Thursday, May 4th, at 5.30 p.m.,
for all ranks. Dress: Muli.

5.—Armoured Car Company.
All N.C.O.'s will parade at Corps
Headquarters, at 5.30 p.m. on
Thursday, May 4th, 1927, for
Machine Gun Instruction.

6.—Infantry Company.

On Friday, May 5th, at 5.30 p.m.
All N.C.O.'s and other ranks as
detailed by O.C. Company will
parade at Corps Headquarters for
special Machine Gun Instruction,
this will be the commencement of
a special N.C.O.'s course of train-
ing in Vickers Gun.

Musketry Part I will be fired by
the above company at Stoncutters'
Range on Sunday, May 5th, 1927.

Range Officer: Lieut. A. H. Penn.

As this the last Sunday allotted
to this Company for Part I, all
those who have not fired must en-
deavour to attend.

Launch will leave Murray Pier
at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier
at 9.10 a.m.

Dress: Uniform or muli optional,
but rifle bayonet, pouches braces
and belts must be taken as the
whole course must be fired in drill
order, whether worn over uniform
or muli.

Arms: May be drawn from Corps
Headquarters on Friday, May 5th,
between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, or
2 and 4 p.m., or 5 and 6 p.m., or
on Saturday, May 6th, between 9
a.m. and 1 p.m.

7.—Scottish Company.

Musketry Part I Table T on Sun-
day, May 1st, is cancelled as Stone-
cutters' Range is being utilised for
practice by the Corps team com-
peting in the Garrison Rifle Meet-
ing.

Men who have not fired Part I
will fire on Sunday, May 29th, 1927.

Thursday, May 5th, 1927, at 5.30
p.m.:—No. 5 Platoon at Taidoo
Docks—Musketry Instruction. No.
6 Platoon at Kowloon Docks—
Musketry Instruction. No. 7
Platoon at Corps Headquarters—
Musketry Instruction.

Dress: Muli, rifle, bayonet, belt,
braces and pouches.

8.—Portuguese Company.

Trained men will parade at
Miniature Range at 5.30 p.m. on
Friday, April 29th. Dress: Muli.

9.—Officers' Mess Meeting.

There will be a mess meeting at
6.30 p.m. on Monday, May 6th. All
available Officers will please attend.

10.—Rifles.

Many members of the Corps are
at present keeping their rifles in
their own possession. This practice
is contrary to regulations.

Members are reminded that all
rifles when not in use must be kept
at Corps or Platoon Headquarters.
Those members of the Corps now
in possession of rifles must return
them without delay.

11.—Strength.

The following are taken on the
strength and posted as under:—
No. 1216 Pte. J. J. Cameron, No.
8 Platoon, dated 21.4.27.
No. 1217 Pte. V. E. Bernardo,
Corps Headquarters, dated 21.4.27.
No. 1218 Pte. M. V. F. Neves,
Corps Headquarters, dated 21.4.27.
No. 1219 Pte. A. L. Rocha, Corps
Headquarters, dated 21.4.27.
No. 1220 Pte. A. R. Tavares, No.
9 Platoon, dated 22.4.27.
No. 1221 Pte. J. P. Baleros, No.
10 Platoon, dated 22.4.27.
No. 1222 Pte. P. I. Morales, No.
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No. 1223 Pte. A. L. Remedios, No.
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No. 1226 Pte. E. A. Souza, Corps
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No. 1227 Pte. L. A. Peres, Corps
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Headquarters, dated 22.4.27.
No. 1230 Pte. H. R. Vieira, Corps
Headquarters, dated 22.4.27.
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No. 1232 Pte. F. V. V. Ribeiro,
Corps Headquarters, dated 22.4.27.
No. 1233 Pte. E. Esteban, Corps
Headquarters, dated 22.4.27.
No. 1234 Pte. V. G. Xavier, Corps
Headquarters, dated 22.4.27.
No. 1235 Pte. J. K. Shaw, A.C.
Company, dated 22.4.27.
No. 1236 Pte. J. A. Souza, Corps
Headquarters, dated 22.4.27.
No. 1237 Pte. D. J. Fernandes,
Corps Headquarters, dated 22.4.27.
12.—Promotions and Appointments.
The following promotions and
appointments will take effect from
25.4.27.

ENGINEER COMPANY.

No. 476 Sergt. T. W. Carr to be
A/C.S.M.
No. 727 Cpl. W. H. Owen to be
Sergeant.

No. 333 L/Cpl. E. S. Carter to be
Corporal.
No. 1034 Spr. H. L. Lockhart to
be Lance/Corporal.

ARMOURD CAR COMPANY.

No. 750 Corpl. L. E. Curwood to
be Lance/Sergeant.
No. 738 Pte. G. B. Slipper to be
Lance/Corporal.

NO. 7 PLATOON.

No. 701 L/Cpl. T. P. Saunderson
to be Corporal.
No. 385 Pte. D. Lyon to be
Lance/Corporal.

13.—Casuals.

Musketry Course Part I will be
fired at Peak Range on Sunday,
May 8th, 1927, at 9.30 a.m.
Range Officer: 2/Lieut. T. A.
Martin.

This is the last opportunity for
members of the Corps who have
not yet completed Part I to attend.
Dress and arms as detailed for
Infantry Company.

14.—Resignation.

No. 468 Corpl. H. M. R. Cleland,
No. 7 Platoon, is permitted to re-
sign from the Corps, as from 23.1.27.

15.—Struck Off.

No. 969 Pte. J. C. Elarte, No. 4
Platoon, is struck off the strength,
as from 1.1.27.

R. A. WOLFE-MURRAY, Major,
Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C.
Hong Kong, April 29, 1927.

NOTICES.

1.
There will be no parades on Monday,
May 2nd, at Volunteer Headquar-
ters, as the drill hall and other
rooms will be reserved for the M.I.
and A.C. Companies dinner.

2.
No. 2 Platoon Rifle Club will
hold their third meeting at Peak
Range on Sunday, May 1st, com-
mencing at 9.30 a.m.

It is hoped that all members of
the Rifle Club will endeavour to be
present.

3.—Engineer Company.
The annual dinner and presenta-
tion of shooting prizes will be held
on Friday, May 6th at 8 p.m., at
Volunteer Headquarters. Charge:
\$4 per head. Dress: Tunic, Slacks
and medals.

Members wishing to attend, please
notify A/C.S.M. T. W. Carr,
B.W.D., together with number of
guests they intend to bring on or
before May 3rd, so that the neces-
sary arrangements can be made.

4.—Scottish Company.

"Quarry Bay" Cup Competition.
Members of the Company are re-
minded of above competition to be
held at Corps Headquarters on
Saturday afternoon, April 30th, at
3.30 p.m. A full attendance of
respective Platoons is essential to
ensure a successful afternoon and
all members of the Company are
accordingly urged to attend.

Dress: Glengarry, tunic, kilt,
sporrans, diced hose, flashes and
spats.

Arms Equipment: Rifle, bayonet,
belt and frog.

5.—M.I. and A.C. Companies.

A dinner and concert will take
place on Monday, May 2nd, at
Volunteer Headquarters at 7.45
p.m.

Members of the above Companies
are requested to obtain the tickets
they require for the dinner on May
2nd without further delay.

All names should be sent in be-
fore noon on Friday, April 29th to
enable the necessary catering ar-
rangements to be made, and the
plan of seating accommodations to
be prepared.

His Excellency the General Officer
Commanding, Major-General G. C.
Luard, C.B., C.M.G., South China
Command, has graciously con-
ceded to be present at the dinner on
Monday, May 2nd. Dress: Dinner
jacket or dress uniform.

Programme: Meet at Corps Head-
quarters at 8 p.m. Dinner 8.30
p.m. Cabaret concert commences
about 10 p.m. The artistes include
eight of Hong Kong's most talented
ladies.

Tickets should be obtained at
once as the number to be sold is
limited.

"HOSPITAL COMFORTS."

The Committee begs to acknow-
ledge with very many thanks, the
receipt of the sum of two hundred
dollars and thirty-seven cents, from
the Hon. Treasurer of St. John's
Cathedral, being the amount collect-
ed at the Morning Service at the
Cathedral on Sunday last.

**HONG KONG STOCK
EXCHANGE.**

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

April 29th, 1927.

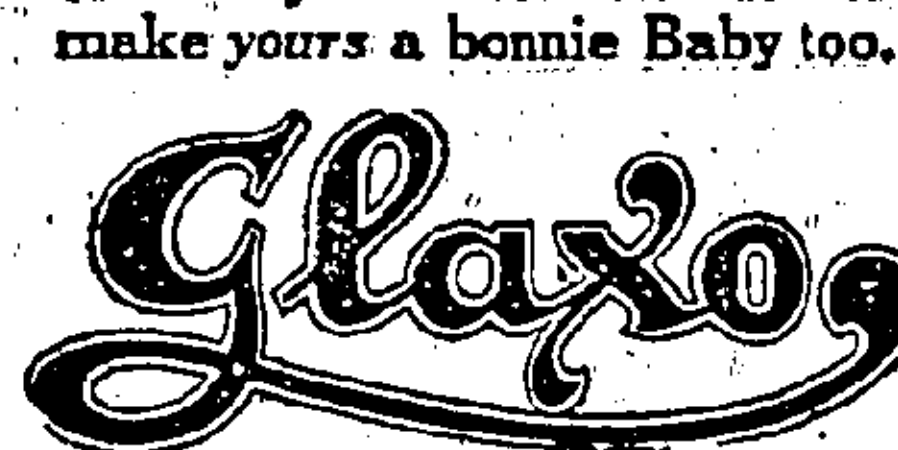
H.K. Bank	1,035 nom.
Do. London	21/10 nom.
Chartered Bank	220 nom.
Maritime Bank, A. & B.	233 nom.
Do.	213/4 nom.
P. & O. Bank	291 nom.
East Asia Bank	263 nom.
Canton Insurance	360 nom.
China Underwriters	50/50 nom.
North China Ins.	143 buy.
Union Insurance	235 buy.
Yangtze Insurance	162/3 buy.
China Fire Insurance	206 buy.
Hong Kong Fire Ins.	200 buy.
Douglas	31 nom.
Steamboats	211/2 buy.
Hong Kong Tugs	110 nom.
Indo-China (S.S.)	40 nom.
Do. (S.S.)	40 nom.
Shall Transports	94/2 sel.
Star Ferries	32 buy.
Waterboats	111/2 buy, 15/2
China Sugars	118 buy.
Malayan Sugars	31 nom.
Benguet	170 buy.
Kasim Mining Ad.	33/2 nom.
Langkate (combined)	21 nom.
Do. (single)	21 nom.
S'hai Explorations	11/2 nom.
Shanghai Loans	11/2 nom.
Ranb	44 nom.
Troch Mines	21/2 nom.
Ural Caspian	5/ nom.
H.K. & W. Docks	48 nom.
Hongkong	130 nom.
New Engineering	111/2 buy.
Shanghai Docks	11/2 buy.
H.K. & S. Steels	350 nom.
H.K. Lands	24 sel.
Hong Kong Realty	30 nom.
H.K. Petroleum	11/2 nom.
Humphreys Estates	11/2 nom.
Prince's Buildings	209 nom.
Kwai Lands	11/2 nom.
Ewo Cottons	11/2 buy.
Oriental	11/2 nom.
Shanghai Cottons (old)	11/2 nom.
Do. (new)	11/2 nom.
China Sues	11/2 nom.
H.K. Tramways	201/2 buy, 21/2 sel.
Peak Tram (old)	11/2 nom.
Do. (new)	11/2 nom.
Singapore Tramways	10/8 buy, 11/2 sel.
Taxis	11/2 nom.
Amusements	11/2 buy.
Canton Ice	30 nom.
Cemets (combined)	30 nom.
Do. (old)	30 nom.
Do. (new)	30 nom.
China Lights (combined)	11/2 buy.
Do. (old)	30 nom.
Do. (new)	30 nom.
China Providents	44 nom.
Constructions	23/30 nom.
Dairy Farms	115 nom.
Der A Wings	30 nom.
H.K. Electric	30 nom.
Mess Electric	35 buy.
H.K. Ropes (old)	10 nom.
Do. (new)	30 nom.
Leas Crawfords	37 nom.
Mackintoshes	109/2 nom.
21/2 shares	30 buy.
United Asbestos	320 nom.
Watsons (old)	111 nom.
Wm. Forde	30 nom.
Telephones	43/8 nom.

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nom.—nominal.

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Bank Bills, on demand	2/0 1/2
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On Paris	2/1 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	2/1 1/2
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight	2/1 1/2
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On New York	49 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	49 1/2
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight	49 1/2
Bank Bills, at 4 months sight	49 1/2
On Bombay	130 1/2
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Bank Bills, at 4 months sight	130 1/2
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WEATHER REPORT.

The weather report, forecast and remarks, issued from the local Royal Observatory at 5.25 last night stated:—
Pressure changes are small since this morning.
Forecast:—Light variable winds, fine to cloudy fog in morning.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

BUSINESS FOR TO-DAY'S MEETING.

\$163,938 TO BE ASKED FOR.

VOTE FOR DEFENCE OF "SUNNING" PIRATES.

The Finance Committee of the Legislative Council at to-day's meeting will consider a number of items of supplementary expenditure amounting in all to \$163,938. The Council is being asked to sanction, among other things, the expenditure of \$1,450 for the defence of the Sunning pirates at the police court and Criminal Sessions proceedings. The vote for repairs to police motor-cars and cycles is \$2,000. The sum of \$1,000 was provided for this year, of which \$2,861.50 has already been expended. The average monthly expenditure for the remainder of the year will be \$300 and it is therefore asked that a further sum of \$2,000 be allowed for this year.

Defence For Pirates.

Under the heading, Supreme Court, \$3,000 is asked for as fees to Counsel and Solicitors for prisoners in capital cases. Of the original vote of \$1,000, \$700 has been expended up to March 1st, 1927. This leaves only \$300 to meet for the Counsel and Solicitors who defended in the two Sunning piracy cases, and whose fees amount to \$1,450. In view of this and to make provision for future trials, the above supplementary vote is needed.

Blake Pier.

Under the heading of Public Works, Extraordinary is \$13,676 for general repairs to Blake Pier. Less work than anticipated was carried out in 1926 and the original estimate has been exceeded by about \$6,000. The increase on the original estimate is due to under-estimating. Owing to unavoidable delay in commencing the work, it was not possible to execute the amount of work for which funds had been voted in 1926. The excess for which supplementary vote is now required, amounts approximately to the unexpended balance of funds voted in 1926, viz. \$8,000 together with \$5,676 by which the cost of the work was under-estimated.

The above is to be met from savings under another head.

Mr. W. Knight's Widow.

In asking for \$3,600 under the heading of Charitable Services, the "Message" to the Committee states that Mr. William Knight, Revenue Officer, was first appointed a Police Constable on April 23rd, 1910. He committed suicide on March 10th, 1927, according to the finding of a Coroner's jury during a fit of temporary insanity. It is proposed to make a grant calculated at the rate of one year's salary, i.e., \$360, to his widow who has been left with two daughters aged 21 and 21 respectively. Her Widows and Orphans pension amounts to \$24,19.9 p.a. plus a temporary increase of 25 per cent. in all \$106,4.7 p.a. and she has no other means. A vote of \$3,600, the equivalent of \$360, is accordingly requested.

Chief Justice's Allowance.

Under the heading of Supreme Court, the sum of \$767 is asked for on account of personal emoluments. It is explained that the amount asked for is allowance to Sir Skinner Turner, Judge of H.B.M.'s Supreme Court at Shanghai, as a member of the Full Court of this Colony for the period September 29th, 1926, to December 31st, 1926. This amount lapsed in the 1926 Estimates. Sir Skinner Turner was engaged on the Extrajurisdictional Commission and was not allowed by the Revenue Office to draw any of this allowance whilst so engaged; he resumed duty in Shanghai on September 29th, 1926, and failed to draw his allowance last year.

Mrs. George Haskett.

Under the heading of Charitable Services, the sum of \$6,800 is asked for, Mr. George Henry Haskett who was appointed Inspector of Stores P.W.D. on May 3rd, 1913, died while on leave on December 8th, 1926. His widow's pension amounts to \$10,18.10 p.a. plus a temporary increase of 25 per cent. making a total of \$12,73.6. It is proposed to grant her one year's salary calculated at the rate at which Mr. Haskett was paid from January 1st, 1926, viz. \$2,800.

Po Hing Fong.

It is considered desirable that the Government should purchase the Site of Nos. 12, 13, 14 and 15, Po Hing Fong to be reserved as an open space in place of an area of Blake Gardens which will be required for the construction of a new Police Station to replace the old No. 8 Police Station. This is a re-vote of \$100,000.

Wongneicheong Nullah.

In addition to the \$39,000 already voted for the construction of the additional nullah in Village Road, Wongneicheong, a further \$4,000 is now asked for. The excess is due (Continued on next column).

LAWN TENNIS.

REDMOND ENTERS SEMI-FINAL OF H.K.C.C. SINGLES.

FIRST SEMI-FINAL IN OPEN EVENTS TO-DAY.

Redmond entered the semi-final of the Club Singles by defeating Henderson yesterday in the third round, gaining the decision by three sets to love.

It was a very fast match, Redmond forcing the pace throughout and placing the balls all round his opponents' court. Henderson was obviously outclassed, but kept his end up gamely and retrieved many difficult shots. He gave Redmond a long run in the second set, bringing the scores to 3 all before losing.

Redmond was particularly accurate at smashing and it was very pleasing to see him in form again. He last won the Club Singles in 1924 and was within an ace of winning from Green last year. He now meets the winner of Sewell and Capt. Howard.

Four other matches were also decided and the detailed scores were as follows:—

Club Singles.

1st Round.—F. A. Redmond beat R. M. Henderson, 6-2, 7-5, 6-3.

Handicap Singles "B."

J. S. Kennedy (rec. 15) beat P. E. Barker (rec. 4/6), 6-0, 4-6, 6-1.

Handicap Doubles.

S. E. Green and D. S. Green (owe 3/6) beat J. N. Owen and E. E. Minnack (rec. 15), 6-0, 6-4, 6-1. M. S. Lloyd and W. A. Nowed (rec. 2/6) beat R. L. Moncrieff and R. W. Lee (rec. 15/1), 6-1, 2-8, 6-3.

E. Grimble and H. Owen Hughes (owe 3/6) beat C. L. Sandes and H. Graves (rec. 15/3), 6-2, 6-1.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

The chief attraction to-day is the first semi-final match of the Open Club Championship of the Colony between Yew Man Tsun and Yew Man Kit, the surviving Chinese pair, and T. Honda and H. Akiyama, the surviving Japanese pair. There is again a full programme, which includes many ties in the handicaps and a Club Singles between S. E. Green (holder) and E. Grimble.

In reaching the semi-final, Yew Man Tsun and Yew Man Kit drew a bye in the first round, received a walk over from J. A. and H. Unotora in the second round and defeated the following pairs:—

Major W. B. Stevenson and Rev. F. W. Alexander, 6-4, 6-3, 6-2.

F. A. Redmond and Br. R. E. Tottenham, 6-0, 7-9, 1-6, 6-4, 6-4.

T. Honda and H. Akiyama had more matches to play and defeated the following pairs:—

Dr. J. R. Craig and W. L. B. Sparrow, 6-1, 6-0, 6-0.

T. Ena and E. Ede, 6-3, 6-4, 6-4.

S. E. Green and W. Hyde, 6-2, 8-6, 6-3.

Ng Sze Kwong and Ng Sze Cheung, 2-6, 1-6, 9-6, 6-4, 8-6.

The full list of matches is as follows:—

Open Doubles.

Semi-final.—Yew Man Tsun and Yew Man Kit v. T. Honda and H. Akiyama.

Club Singles.

1st Round.—S. E. Green v. E. Grimble.

Handicap Singles "A." R. W. Lee (rec. 15/1) v. C. C. Stark (rec. 3/6).

H. R. Remington (rec. 15/1) v. L. M. S. Lloyd (rec. 4/6).

Handicap Singles "B." M. M. Watson (rec. 15/1) v. J. R. Collis (rec. 5/6).

Handicap Doubles. E. J. R. Mitchell and W. Hyde (owe 1/6) v. E. Grimble and H. Owen Hughes (owe 3/6).

Major H. R. Edwards and Major W. B. Stevenson (owe 1/8) v. Capt. E. W. Morris and Dr. R. E. Tottenham (owe 15/2).

R. M. Henderson and A. Brearley (owe 3/8) v. H. J. Armstrong and S. M. Garrard (rec. 3/8).

F. A. Redmond and L. Forster (owe 15/3) v. Dr. D. J. Valentine and R. K. Valentine (scr.).

to the necessity for relaying the sewer in the village road and alteration of a length of 18 in. water main.

Wongneicheong Development.

For site formation and road construction in connection with the development of Wongneicheong Village, the sum of \$11,000 is requested in addition to that already provided. The additional \$11,000 is to complete the portion of the work already approved and was not included in the 1927 Estimates. The unexpended balance in 1926 was \$49,750. The above is to be met from savings.

Other votes are: Harbour Department, vote for launch to replace the Victoria \$15,000.

Shankwan Road improvement \$5,500.

Erection of 3 automatic self recording tide gauges (\$500).

Educational Department College Calendars (\$145).

TENNIS LEAGUE.

GOOD MATCHES POSTPONED.

The current matches of the Lawn Tennis League are scheduled to begin to-morrow and for the next two months will be in full swing every week end.

The matches in the "A" and "B" divisions between the Chinese Recreation Club and Indian Recreation Club fixed for to-morrow have been unexpectedly postponed on account of the inability of the latter Club to raise their teams. Four of their first team players will be engaged in the all round Indian semi-final in the Open Doubles Championship of the Colony, while a few of their second team players are otherwise occupied.

Below we publish the names of the representatives of the different Clubs competing together with their addresses:—

Hong Kong C.C. R. M. Henderson, P.W.D. (C. 4592, Water works).

Kowloon C.C. E. Abraham, Tester & Abraham (C. 333).

Chinese R.C. C. F. Lee, H.K. & K. Wharf & Godown Co. (K. 7).

Indian R.C. S. A. Ramjahn, Easna Club (C. 1088).

U.S.R.C. Capt. Charles, c/o U.S.R.C. (K109).

M.B.K. M. Kishima, Mitsui Bussan Kaisha (C. 2572).

Nippon Club, Y. Oishi, Nippon Yusen Kaisha (C. 292).

Club de Recreio, F. Prata, Club de Recreio (C. 375).

University, Tan Cheng Lok, Eliot Hall, Hong Kong University (C. 1956).

South China A.A. K. C. Luk, Nam Tai & Co. (C. 123).

Craigengower, R. Basa, Exchange Building (C. 1962).

K.B.S.F.P.A. C. T. Evans, Lowe, Bingham & Matthews (C. 506).

Netherlands T.C. G. E. Heintzen, N.I.C. Bank (C. 3157).

Taikeo R.C. R. M. Keown, Taikeo Dockyard (C. 212).

Royal Engineers, Capt. Jacobs, Larkcomb, H.Q. South China Command (C. 221).

R.A.O.C. S/Sgt. Greenaway, R.A.O. Corps (C. 249).

*In case of absence of Mr. Heintzen, refer to Mr. R. Ramond, c/o J.C.J.L. (C. 1574).

GOLF.

KOWLOON AND JUNIOR SECTION RETURN MATCH.

According to the official fixture card of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club there are no competitions at Fanling for the coming week-end, the next being from May 7th to 9th, when the Captain's Cup competition will be played.

The final of the Junior Section Championship (Happy Valley) of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club should be decided by to-morrow. The finalists are R.C. Wallace and J. McCubbin.

It has been provisionally arranged that a return match shall be played between the Kowloon Golf Club and the Junior Section (Happy Valley) of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club at the Valley Course on Sunday, May 8th, and the same sides, as nearly as possible, as played last Sunday will take part. Last Sunday the Kowloon Club beat the Junior Section by the comfortable margin of 24 points to 9.

At Kowloon there are three competitions to be concluded before the competition for the Summer Cup. These are the Open Fouromes, the Captain's Cup and the Handicap competition.

HOCKEY.

WANDERERS v. 5th/2nd PUNJABIS.

This game takes place at 4.30 p.m. to-morrow. Wanderers (to play in white) v. Sgt. Clark, R.A.; Lt. Mundy, R.N.; L. A. R. Duncan; A. A. Dand, E. J. R. Mitchell, Major J. P. S. Greig, R.E.; Midshipman Masterman, R.N., Lt. C. R. Garrett, R.N., Capt. E. Manners, R.N., W. Samson, Lt. Atkinson, R.N.

FANLING HUNT STEEPLE-CHASE.

To-morrow the postponed Fanling Hunt Steeplechase Meeting is being held at Kwantia, commencing at 3.15 p.m. A special train leaves Kowloon at 2.7, the return fare being 1st-class, \$1.50; 2nd-class, 90 cents. There will be free parking for cars off the course, but \$5 each will be charged if cars are parked opposite the stand.

SHANGHAI RACES.

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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNUAL MEETING.

STRIKING SPEECH BY H.E. THE GOVERNOR.

The annual meeting of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce held yesterday afternoon at the City Hall was notable for a magnificent speech by H.E. the Governor.

Sir Cecil Clementi welcomed the opportunity of expressing publicly his admiration of the dogged determination of the mercantile community of Hong Kong in spite of the situation in which—for no fault of their own—they were placed. Now as always, declared His Excellency, British policy in China aims wholly and solely at security, freedom, and equal opportunity for British trade. Great Britain has no territorial ambitions whatsoever in China, and it is amazing that the "Nationalists" should denounce Great Britain as "the enemy" and clasp to their hearts the Russian Bolsheviks, who appear to be pursuing the old Czarist policy of Slavonic aggrandisement in the Far East.

"We are quite determined," said His Excellency, "to have no Bolshevism in this Colony. Nor shall we permit our coastwise shipping to be preyed upon with impunity by organised piracy." The so-called economic weapon Sir Cecil Clementi described as the "Bolshevik Bludgeon," or rather the "Bolshevik Boomerang," because it would most certainly curl back and deliver its shrewdest blow at those who endeavoured to wield it.

The Governor urged the Chambers of Commerce in Hong Kong to see that to combat lying propaganda, the truth is widely told all over China, for the victory of truth is the best means of meeting the Bolshevik menace. After referring to present indications that the Chinese Nationalist Party is at last struggling to rid itself of the taint of Bolshevism, H.E. the Governor expressed the hope that the traditional friendly relations between Hong Kong and neighbouring Provinces in China were about to be renewed. He had complete faith in the future, and believed that, when the present "spasm of madness" was spent, Great Britain and Hong Kong would be recognised throughout the "Eighteen Provinces" as the best friends of the Chinese people.

The address was received with great enthusiasm.

The meeting was presided over by the Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard (Chairman of the Chamber), and with him were H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.), and the following members of the General Committee:—The Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes, Messrs. W. H. Bell, Paul Lander, F. A. Perry, J. A. Plummer, T. G. Weill, L. J. Davies, Capt. R. H. Campbell, M.C., and Lieut.-Commander L. J. Pitcairn-Jones, D.S.C., R.N., with the Secretary (Mr. M. F. Kip).

The following members were also present:—

The Hon. Sir H. E. Pollock, K.C., Sir Robert Ho Tung, Mr. B. M. Tait, Mr. Frank Austin (individual members), Messrs. J. M. Alves & Co. (Mr. J. M. Alves), A. V. Apcar & Co. Ltd. (Mr. D. H. Cooper), Asiatic Petroleum Co. (South China) Ltd. (Mr. W. H. Bell), W. S. Bailey & Co. Ltd. (Mr. W. S. Bailey), Banker & Co. Ltd. (Mr. P. C. Mow Fung), The Bank Line Ltd. (Mr. J. R. Collis), Banque Franco-Chinoise pour le Commerce et l'Industrie (Mr. A. Toulon), Bradley & Co. Ltd. (Mr. J. A. Plummer), Mr. A. Macgowan and Mr. E. S. Morrison, British-American Tobacco Co. (China) Ltd. (Mr. F. A. Perry and Mr. A. P. Bungey), Canton Insurance Office Ltd., Carlowitz & Co. (Mr. R. Schmidt), General Agency Ltd. (Mr. Chas. Wallace), China Sugar Refining Co. Ltd. (Mr. E. B. C. Hornell and Mr. G. M. Shaw), Chun On Fire Insurance Co. Ltd. (Mr. T. N. Chan), Donnan & Whyte (Mr. L. M. Whyte), Eastern Extension Australasia and China Telegraph Co. Ltd. (Mr. E. A. Leggatt), Fung Tang (Mr. Fung Kong Un), Gibb, Livingston Co. Ltd. (Mr. L. J. Davies), Gilman & Co. Ltd. (Mr. G. Miskin), T. E. Griffith, Ltd. (Mr. P. A. Dixon), A. S. Henry & Co. Ltd. (Mr. S. H. Dutton), Hong Kong and China Gas Co. Ltd. (Mr. L. J. Blackburn and F. Goodwin), Hong Kong Electric Co. Ltd. (Mr. G. Murray), Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co. Ltd. (Mr. F. C. Hall), Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd. (Mr. F. B. Crappell), Hong Kong Land Investment and Agency Co. Ltd. (Mr. L. S. Greenhill), Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes), Hong Kong Telephone Co. Ltd. (Mr. J. P. Sherry), Hong Kong Tramways Ltd. (Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy), Hong Kong and Whampoa Dock Co. Ltd. (Mr. R. M. Dyer), J. D. Hutchison & Co. (Mr. P. S. Cassidy), Indo-China Steam Navigation Co. Ltd. (Mr. R. Sutherland), Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd. (Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard), Keller, Kern & Co. Ltd. (Mr. H. A. Keller), A. & P. Leong Hingkee & Co. (Mr. P. Leong Hingkee), Lowe, Bingham & Matthews (Mr. John Fleming), W. R. Loxley & Co. (Mr. W. L. Patterson and Mr. D. O. Russell), MacKinnon, MacKinnon & Co. (Mr. M. T. Johnson), Mercantile Bank of India, Ltd. (Mr. C. L. Sandes), Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, Ltd. (Mr. T. Takahashi), A. B. Moulder & Co. Ltd. (Mr. M. A. Williams and Mr. Wong Oi Kut), National City Bank of New York (Mr. F. McD. Courtney), Netherlands Trading Society, Pentreath & Co. (Mr. C. P. Marcol), Reiss, Massey & Co. Ltd. (Mr. E. Lander Lewis), Robertson, Wilson & Co. Ltd. (Mr. G. W. Sewell), J. M. de Rocha &

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CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH.

The Chairman, addressing H.E. the Governor, said:—I wish to express to you, Sir, the great pleasure it gives to us to have you with us at this meeting. Trade is the purpose for which the Colony exists and it is very gratifying to us that the Government keeps in close touch with the Committee of this Chamber and is continually consulting us in connection with matters affecting our trade. Your presence here to-day, Sir, is further evidence of the keen interest you take in the trade of Hong Kong and I can assure you that the Committee of the Chamber is at all times ready and glad to afford the Government all the assistance which lies in its power. (Applause.)

The Chairman continued:—I must apologise for the late date at which this meeting is being held. It should have been at the end of March but our Secretary, Mr. Key, was absent on Home leave last year and it has taken him some time to prepare the report. It has involved a great deal of work and the able way in which it has been compiled reflects great credit upon him. All matters of interest which have been dealt with during the year are set out fully and there are only a few things on which I wish to offer any comment.

Losses Through Death.

The late Mr. Holyoak presided at the annual meeting last year and it was with great sorrow that two months later we learnt of his death. Shortly after arriving in England, Mr. Holyoak had been a member of the Committee for 13 years. He was Chairman for five years and represented the Chamber on the Legislative Council for over ten years. He did a prodigious amount of work for the Chamber and this bare record can only give an indication of his unremitting and unselfish labours on behalf of the business community.

By the death of Sir Paul Chater we lost our oldest individual member. Sir Paul was a member of this Chamber for 54 years. He had an unswerving faith in the future of Hong Kong and was associated with most of its principal enterprises. He paid special attention to property and it was due to his initiative that the large and important reclamations in Hong Kong and Kowloon were undertaken. In addition to his many business activities Sir Paul was an unofficial member of the Executive Council for nearly 30 years and rendered invaluable service to the Colony during that period.

The late Mr. Ho Fook had been a member of the Chamber for thirty years. He was Comptroller to Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., for a quarter of a century and he devoted a great deal of time to matters connected with the welfare of the Chinese Community. He was also a member of the Legislative Council for four years.

We have thus lost during the past year three of our leading citizens whom we can ill afford to spare in the critical time through which we are passing, and on behalf of the Chamber I wish to express to their relatives the deep sympathy of the Chamber in their recent bereavement.

Shanghai Defence Force.

When we last met there was reason to believe that an early termination of the boycott, which had been in force for nine months might be expected. Unfortunately, this proved to be incorrect and it was not until October 10th that it was lifted. Even then there was considerable misgiving as to what the future had in store, but business conditions have very materially improved since that time and there is more confidence amongst the Chinese merchants. But the purely local situation in South China has been overshadowed by the developments in the Yangtze Valley following on the success of the Nationalist Government's Northern Expedition. It is not my intention to dwell on the political situation and the recent events which are fresh in the minds of us all, but I do wish to say how very much we appreciated the action of His Majesty's Government in sending out in the nick of time a strong force to defend the Settlement in Shanghai against possible attack from any quarter. (Applause.) The occurrences of the last few weeks have more than justified their policy and have encouraged us to think that what had happened in Shanghai if it had been left to share the same fate as Nanking. (Applause.)

Great Britain was singled out by the Red element as the object of its attack, but since the Agreement was made for the rendition of the Hankow Concession the enemy has been directed at other Nationalities as well. The yielding to what were believed to be the aspirations of the Chinese people has so far been a complete failure. It is now evident to the world at large that the spirit of revolution which is running amok in China cannot be quietened just by surrendering all the privileges and rights acquired by Treaty, and it is very satisfactory to see and encourage to find the Powers united in action in connection with the Nanking atrocities. (Applause.)

Since the foregoing was drafted, however, it has been most disappointing to hear that the Powers are having difficulty in getting their ideas into line but I trust they will be able to do so without delay. It is earnestly to be hoped that the Moderates amongst the Nationalist party, representing as I am sure they do the sound and progressive views of the bulk of the Chinese people, will soon be able to establish their supremacy and restore peace and good order in the country. (Applause.)

For purposes of record there have been included in our report important statements of British policy towards China. These clearly show the friendly and sympathetic attitude of Great Britain and will be useful for reference. We have also included the speech made by H.E. the Governor of Hong Kong at a meeting of the Legislative Council in October of last year. The sentiments expressed therein have our hearty support and we look forward to the time when we shall be able to co-operate with our friends in Canton in the development of the province of Kwangtung. With peaceful conditions in the neighbouring province and a good progressive Government, prosperity will soon descend on what is at present a much harassed country. (Applause.)

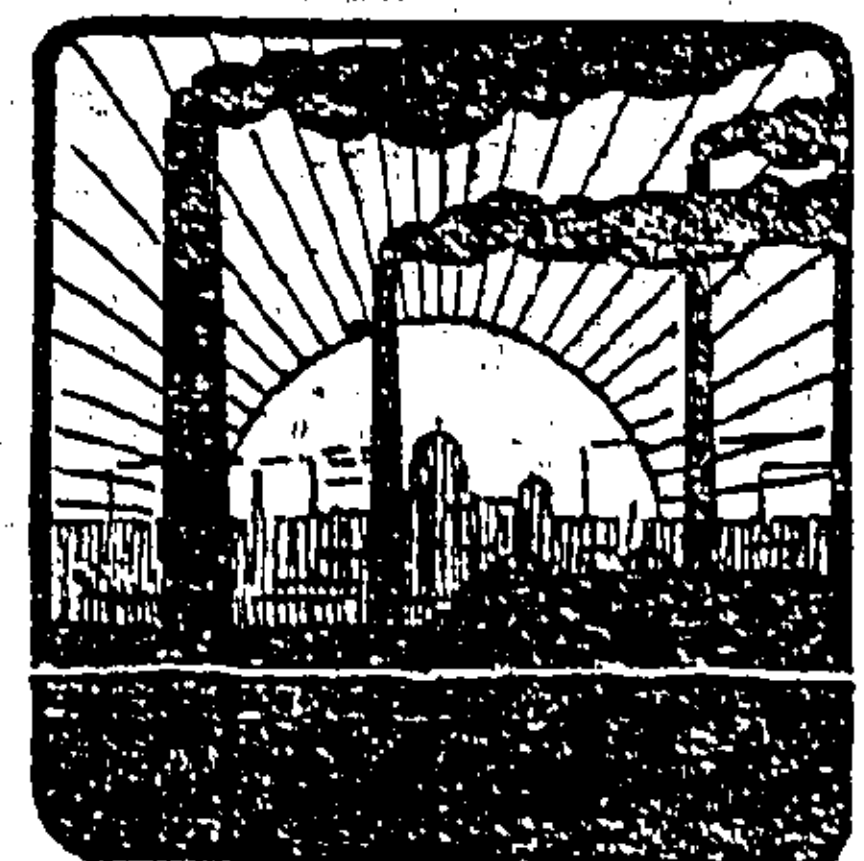
Piracy.

This leads to the question of piracy which is one of the worst features arising from the unsettled conditions in South China. You will find in the report a list of steamers which have been pirated and taken to Bias Bay in the last few years. In addition to these there is a list of 30 piracies of small Chinese craft which were reported to the police in 1926, but they are probably only a small percentage of the actual piracies which have occurred. As regards Bias Bay you will observe how the activities of the pirates in that district have increased during the past few years. In 1925 two vessels were taken there and looted, in 1926, eight and in the first three months of this year three.

The authorities in Canton have made two or three half-hearted attempts to curb the activities of the pirates, but the failure of their efforts is obvious from the increasing number of piracies which have taken place. It was very satisfactory, therefore, to learn that on March 30th, within 24 hours of the piracy of the s.s. *Hop Sang*, a Naval expedition had razed three villages at Bias Bay. (Continued on page 5).

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On the Yangtze the developments are no less important. Chiang Kai-shek has strengthened his position at Nanking both politically and militarily. His Forces have prevented the Northerners from crossing the Yangtze, the Shanghai bankers have offered him a loan, and there have been important defections from the Hankow Government.

Further documents, obtained as a result of Chang Tso Lin's raid on the Soviet Embassy at Peking, throw more light upon Bolshevik plans to use China as a cat paw against Britain.

The full story is given of the Japanese Financial crisis and the steps taken by the Government to save the banks and restore confidence.

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CINEMA NEWS.

"THE UNHOLY THREE" AT THE QUEEN'S.

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To-day and to-morrow you may see Lon Chaney at the Queen's in "The Unholy Three." If you are a lover of horrors you will be disappointed; not that there is no horror in the film, but it is of the mental type. Lon Chaney is a very remarkable personality, his parents were both deaf mutes and at an early age he learnt to express himself in pantomime. His sad harsh face can assume amazing transformations and he can, perhaps more skilfully than any other film actor, express a whole range of feelings by a slight facial movement. But it is his misfortune that he has been so consistently cast for some what revolting parts, that he seems unconvincing when he is beauty.

asked to indulge in the petty heroism as in "The Unholy Three." Nothing could make "The Unholy Three," a first rate film, its story is confused, and its action slow and unconvincing. There is, however, some excellent photography and the opening scenes of the fair are particularly well done.

"Mare Nostrum"

There is a treat in store for us at the Queen's on Wednesday to Saturday, May 4th to 7th, when "Mare Nostrum," a sea story by Vincent Blasco Ibañez, which he considers his best work, is to be shown. We have seen two Ibañez films here late, "The Torrent" and "The Temptress," both outstanding pictures, which were in every way pleasing and interesting. "Mare Nostrum" has been produced by Rex Ingram under the personal supervision of Ibañez, and Alice Terry and Antonio Moreno have the big parts. The picture was filmed in the actual place in which the story develops and the Spanish, French and Italian scenes help to make it a film of great beauty.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETING

(CONTD.).

and given the people a solemn warning that in the event of there being further piracies the action would be repeated. Great care was taken that no personal injury was caused to any of the inhabitants. It is sincerely to be hoped that this will have the desired effect of stopping these depredations on shipping which have been causing a well nigh intolerable situation.

After the piracy of the s.s. *Sunning* in November, the Government appointed a Committee to enquire into the whole question of piracy and the existing piracy regulations. The report of that Committee was published within the past week but we have not yet had time to consider it.

I cannot leave this subject without referring again to the s.s. *Sunning* piracy. A brief account is given in the report of the officers' gallant attack on the pirates after they had obtained control and which resulted in the recapture of the ship. This attack was made against unknown odds and carried out with splendid resource and daring. (Applause.) The conduct of the officers and engineers was in accordance with the highest traditions of the service and I wish to place on record the Chamber's appreciation. (Applause.) Their action on this occasion serves to illustrate what the officers and engineers are prepared to do and would do in defence of their ship when attacked by pirates if they were not overwhelmed and disarmed before they were aware of what was taking place. (Applause.)

Chinese Language School. With regard to the Chamber's Chinese Language School, seventeen students have been in attendance in the Beginners' Class in the course of the last twelve months. These numbers have been reduced by the passing of students into the advanced class, also by transfers to other ports, so that the Beginners' Class at the present time contains six students. In the Advanced Class the numbers have been as high as 15, but recently several certificates of proficiency were awarded and the number of students now in attendance is four. As soon as these students have obtained certificates a new Beginners' Class will be formed.

As I think members generally are aware, the Chamber has been able to thank the invaluable help of Dr. Pearce (as Director of Studies until last year) and of the Hon. Mr. Kotewall (as Independent Examiner)—to maintain the Language School since the year 1916. A considerable number of members of commercial staffs have acquired, since then, a sufficient knowledge of colloquial Cantonese to enable them to transact ordinary mercantile business in the language. The classes are held at times which have proved convenient to the students, either in the afternoon or after five p.m. on three days a week. In addition, each student has an hour's individual conversational practice with a private teacher provided by the School.

The trend of events in China recently has brought home to everybody the necessity for establishing closer contact between Chinese and non-Chinese, and, as a practical means of obtaining this, I would earnestly commend the work of the Language School to the support of firms and individuals throughout the Colony. (Applause.) We are ready practically at any time to start another Beginners' Class and will be happy to do so forthwith on receipt of even a small number of entrants.

Motors and Harbour Transport. With the growth of motor vehicles in Hong Kong there has arisen an increasing demand for an adequate service for transporting them across the Harbour. Apart altogether from private cars, the establishment of such a service will lead to the delivery of goods from godowns in Hong Kong or Kowloon direct to destination, thus saving time and money. The Government have given the matter considerable attention during the past year and intend to publish a seasonal paper at an early date giving details of the proposed scheme, and this is now awaited.

Confidence in the Future. The effect of the boycott on the trade of Hong Kong in 1924 is indicated by the number and tonnage of vessels entered and cleared in that year compared with 1924, the last complete year before the boycott was instituted. In 1924 there were 77,765 vessels representing 39,770,499 tons and in 1925 only 30,221 with a tonnage of 22,371,404.

We have indeed been passing through a very difficult and trying time for nearly two years but we have been able successfully to survive the attempt to damage and destroy the trade of Hong Kong which has been built up over a long term of years. (Applause.) Losses have been heavy, certainly, but I am optimistic enough to believe that already we have weathered the storm and are on the way to better times. The prosperity of Hong Kong has rested in great measure

upon confidence in the security that the British Government has been able to offer to our citizens, their trade and investments. It has now been demonstrated that we can withstand the severest attack that could be made by employment of the so-called "invincible" economic weapon and it has proved to be of no avail against us. Moreover, the British Government has stated that it has no intention to give back the Colony to China.

These two facts will greatly increase the sense of security which Hong Kong can give. It is, therefore, safe to view the future with confidence and look forward to an era of development and prosperity such as we have not yet approached. But we are here to trade with China and what we especially desire and need are stable conditions in South China where merchants and others can follow their lawful vocations in safety and peace, and these we trust will be realized at an early date. (Lord applause.)

I have no further remarks to make and now beg to propose the adoption of the Report and Statement of Accounts and when this has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer to the best of my ability any question which members may desire to ask.

MR. W. L. PATTENDEN.

Mr. W. L. PATTENDEN seconded. He said:—Your Excellency, Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,—We have followed with close interest the able speech just delivered and, if I may be permitted to do so, I should like to endorse the Chairman's remarks with regard to the honour, felt by us all, at the presence of His Excellency at our annual meeting this afternoon. His never failing interest in the trade of Hong Kong, which as the Chairman has rightly stated, is that for which the Colony exists, is deeply appreciated by all sections of the mercantile community. (Applause.)

The Chamber's Annual Report.

The annual report that has recently been circulated is, in my opinion, a striking testimony to the work of the Chamber. I am glad to notice, included in the report, are various memoranda, dealing with the present situation in China and His Excellency's speech in the Legislative Council on October 15th last year. I venture to suggest that members send copies of the report to their various friends in other parts of the world, drawing special attention to these memoranda, which, I think, explain clearly and concisely the attitude of the British Government in regard to recent events in China. I should like, if I may be allowed to do so, to congratulate the Committee on the manner in which this comprehensive report has been drawn up, and particularly Mr. Key, our able secretary, on whose shoulders I understand, the work of compilation has largely fallen. We are glad to have Mr. Key with us again after his well earned holiday. (Applause.)

We have learned with satisfaction of the stern but necessary measures taken by the Naval authorities in dealing with the almost impossible situation that has arisen owing to the lack of any real attempt by the Chinese authorities to cope with the continual piratical depredations, and it is to be hoped that the measures taken will have a salutary effect. Our sympathies go out to the men of the Naval force who had—what is not perhaps realised by all—a very pleasant duty to perform, but one which was carried out in difficult circumstances in a spirit of true chivalry.

A Break in the Clouds.

As you rightly say, Sir, we have been through difficult and anxious times during the past two years but the sound lines on which the trade of the Colony is conducted, is evidenced by the manner in which, in spite of the chaotic state of affairs in the neighbouring provinces, and the insensate boycott proclaimed against British goods, business has been carried on. (Applause.) It is to be hoped that saner and wiser counsels among those in control of this great country, in which we are so deeply interested, will prevail, and the utility of the use of this economic weapon, the boycott, of which we have heard so much recently, will be realised, affecting as much, if not more, those using it, as it does those against whom it is directed. Given peace and quietness in the country, and a wise and progressive Government, I am convinced we shall see a prosperity in China such as we have never realised, and linked up as we are with Canton in Hong Kong are with Canton and the surrounding districts—for we are interdependent one on another—this prosperity will be reflected on Hong Kong. While it may yet be a long time to the peaceful conditions we all desire there are, I am inclined to think, signs of a break in the clouds. (Applause.)

H.E. THE GOVERNOR.

"YOU WILL WIN THROUGH."

H.E. THE GOVERNOR then addressed the meeting. He said:—I am glad you invited me to be present here to-day, for it gives me an opportunity of expressing publicly my admiration of the dogged determination with which the mercantile community of Hong Kong has continued to do "business as usual" in spite of the discouraging and even alarming situation in which, for no fault of ours, we find ourselves placed. Neither strikes, nor boycotts, nor armed pickets, nor bandits, nor pirates, nor civil war have deterred British or Chinese merchants in this Colony from maintaining their trade with Canton and the other principal centres of commerce in China. (Lord applause.) Under the bludgeoning of fate you have suffered, you are unbowed, and what is more, you will certainly win through to eventual success; for your aims are precisely those of the great mass of the Chinese people—safe and normal trading conditions. (Applause.)

"Britain Has No Territorial Ambition in China."

Now, as always, British policy in China aims wholly and solely at security, freedom and equal opportunity for British trade throughout the territories which once formed the Chinese Empire, but which are now disintegrated and disintegrated by Bolshevism and civil war. Great Britain, as all the world knows, has no territorial ambitions whatsoever in China. It is, therefore, most amazing that the self-proclaimed "nationalists" of China should vociferously and incessantly denounce Great Britain as their "enemy," while clasping to their hearts as bosom-allies the Russian Bolshevists, who appear to be pursuing in Chinese Turkestan, in Outer Mongolia and in Manchuria the old Czarist schemes of Slavonic aggrandizement in the Far East. This self-deception is one of many symptoms of the madness now afflicting the wild men of the Kuomintang. When sanity returns to them, they will see that it is Great Britain, not the Russian Soviet, which would rejoice at the establishment of a strong, stable, enlightened, patriotic and efficient Government of a re-united China. (Applause.) From such a Government we should have nothing to fear; for it would restore peace and security to the harassed population of the Eighteen Provinces and give back to Chinese merchants the things they most desire, I mean safe and normal trading conditions, free from the tyranny of Bolshevized Labour. (Applause.)

"We Will Have No Bolshevism Here."

We are quite determined to have no Bolshevism in this Colony. (Applause.) The Chinese as well as the European community of Hong Kong are of one mind in this matter, and I have no doubt whatever that we shall succeed. All the recent emergency measures taken by the Hong Kong Government aim at obviating any disturbance of the law and order and good feeling now happily prevailing among us. We shall certainly not allow any *imperium in imperio* to be formed here by an armed and violent proletariat, as unfortunately has been the case at Canton, at Hankow and in other Chinese cities. The shelter which Hong Kong offers from the storm now raging in China is appreciated by none more than by the Chinese themselves, who of late have been taking refuge here by the thousand. They are welcome and they will be protected. (Applause.)

Another thing we are resolved upon is that our coastwise shipping shall not be preyed upon with impunity by organized piracy, such as that emanating from Bias Bay. Time and time again the Cantonese authorities have been urged by the Hong Kong Government and by His Majesty's Government to stamp out this pest. Over and over again we have offered them for this purpose our full naval and military co-operation, if they desired it. They have, however, rejected our offer of help and they have done nothing whatever themselves. In fact they have been scandalously forgetful of the duty of any civilized and self-respecting Government, namely the suppression of piracy and brigandage and the maintenance of law and order. At long last His Majesty's Government has now indicted salutary punishment upon the pirate dens in Bias Bay. We hope that the lesson given will suffice. We hope that the Cantonese authorities will now themselves take the necessary steps to police Bias Bay and to prevent its use as a pirate base. But, if they do not, we are determined to see this matter through and to protect our shipping from further outrage of this kind. (Applause.)

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with the foreigners along the Yangtze and in the South, while northern China was in turmoil. The northerners then learned that Boxers were not invulnerable and that to exterminate all foreigners was less easy than they had supposed. Remembering this, the northerners to-day are not attempting to destroy foreign treaty-rights by violence, but are willing to negotiate a friendly settlement. It is the southerners this time who believe themselves to have found an invincible weapon wherewith to drive all foreigners out of China. They miscall it "the economic weapon," meaning thereby strikes, boycotts, labour unrest, mob violence, all excited by lying propaganda, piracy, brigandage and every other means of making trade in China unprofitable to the foreigner and residence in China disagreeable to him. A better name for this weapon would be "the Bolshevized bludgeon" and those who brandish it have been taught by their Russian "high advisers" that with this weapon they can so bedevil the foreigner that of his own accord he will alter a while pack up his traps and leave China for good. But the true name of this weapon is "the Bolshevized boomerang," because it will most certainly curl back and deliver its shrewdest blow at those who endeavour to wield it. Already none suffer from it more than do the Chinese themselves, and it will sooner or later knock out every Bolshevized Chinese in the country. (Applause.)

Defeatist Attitudes Will Not Help.

Lying propaganda of the most virulent type gives the initial impetus to all these Bolshevized machinations; and, gentlemen, we must counter it by telling the truth and exposing the falsehoods. There are many who, like Conventry Patmore, would sit down and say that for lack of them the world's course will not fail.

When all its work is done, the lie shall rot.

The truth is great and will prevail. When none cares, whether it prevail or not. Such a defeatist attitude will not help us now. We must be up and doing. We must see to it that the lie shall rot before, not after, the truth is widely told all over China. When the victory of truth is the best means of averting the Bolshevized menace. The Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce as well as the Chinese Chamber of Commerce should give most serious consideration to this matter.

Light on the Horizon.

Gentlemen: it is always the darkest hour that comes before the dawn; and already I seem to see a glimmer of light on the horizon. The Chinese Nationalist party is at last struggling to rid itself of the taint of Bolshevism and is discarding Comrade Borodin and other demagogues who deliriously direct chaos and who are prophets of communism and "world-revolution." It now looks as if measures, similar to the emergency regulations made by the Hong Kong Government to save this Colony from the tyranny of Bolshevized Labour, have also been enforced by Chinese Nationalist generals both in Shanghai and at Canton and in other large cities, although Chinese generals have to use the Chinese language to tell us that they are able to use the velvet glove. We may, therefore, be on the verge of a renewal of the friendly relations which are traditional between this Colony and the neighbouring provinces of China. With all my heart I hope that it is so. I have complete faith in the future of this Colony. I do not believe that the day of British influence in China is drawing to a close. On the contrary I believe that the spasm of madness, the convulsions of the madmen, Great Britain and China is spent. The Colony of Hong Kong will be recognized throughout the Eighteen Provinces as the most potent, the most beneficent and the most congenial friends and coadjutors of the Chinese people in this era of its renaissance. (Applause.)

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NEW BATHING BEACH.

TAI WAN BAY TO REPLACE STONECUTTERS.

DETAILS OF THE BUS SERVICE.

The bathing beach at Stonecutters Island, as mentioned in the *Daily Press* a few days ago, will this year be reserved for Servicemen, and in its place a new bathing ground has been opened at Tai Wan Bay, Hung Hom, near the China Light and Power Co.'s works.

There will be a regular bus service maintained by the Kowloon Motor Bus Co. On week days, buses will leave the "Star" ferry pier (Kowloon) at 4.30 p.m.; on Saturdays and Sundays at 5 p.m. The return service from Tai Wan Bay begins at 6 p.m. and buses run both ways at intervals of 15 minutes. The last bus back from the beach is at 7.30 p.m. Fares will be: 1st class 20 cents; 3rd class 10 cents.

Such buses will carry boards marked "Tai Wan Bay," and there will be a special parking place by the beach.

TRYING HIS LUCK.

A LOTTERY PRIZE OF—MINUS \$100.

A Chinese tailor when charged with writing and possessing 93 Po Piu lotteries, remarked with pleasing simplicity to Major C. Willson yesterday at the Central Magistracy that he had bought the tickets to "try his luck." The said luck was a \$100 fine.

In this case two Chinese were charged; they were represented by Mr. F. H. Loseby and pleaded "not guilty."

Det. Sergt. A. V. Baker said that, accompanied by a Chinese detective, he raided a cock-loft at No. 131, Hollywood Road. He found the first defendant sitting on a stool and in front of him were 93 Po Piu tickets. The second defendant was squatting on the floor with a roll of paper before him.

Mr. Loseby told the Court that the first defendant had merely gone to the house to visit a friend, but the Police raided the place just then and took him to the Station. The second defendant, a tailor, was a *bona fide* purchaser and did not buy the tickets for sale.

His Worship fined the first defendant \$50 for writing the tickets, and the second defendant \$100 for possessing the tickets. He had a previous conviction against him.

THE CAT THAT BROUGHT BAD JOSS.

SILLY THEFT AND MORE SILLY LIES.

There is a saying in China that nothing could bring more "bad joss" than selling a cat. A certain Chinese has now shown the limits of the adage for he set out early yesterday morning to steal a cat—and was caught. Armed with a gunny bag, he reached Aberdeen Street at 2.15 a.m. There he halted and waited until a cat softly walked out of some dark nook. He cautiously pounced upon it and shoved it into the bag. He then walked off, but while all this was going on, two Chinese lunks were watching him from a dark alley. They allowed him to go on for a short distance and then they repeated the founcing trick.

Asked as to why he had stolen the cat he said he was recapturing the animal for a friend, and offered to take the lunks to find the said friend. They walked a great distance, the mythical friend was not found, and the constables marched the hunter man onward.

On the way to the station the lunks went to go and drink tea instead of waiting their previous time on him.

The cat-thief was charged before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy yesterday morning and was sent to goal for ten days for stealing the animal. He was fined \$15 or an additional 14 days in goal for attempting to bribe the police.

POPULAR CONCERTS.

This week's concert at the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A. in Queen's Building was very well received by a large audience of ex-servicemen. The organiser was Mrs. M. Minney (soprano); Mrs. H. Balaen (violin) accompanied by Mrs. G. W. R. Crigg; Mr. G. W. C. Burnett (humorist); Mr. Hyde Lay (baritone) accompanied by Mrs. Lay; Mrs. C. P. C. James (accompanist).

A Charleston exhibition was given by Mr. Henry Livingston and a number of Servicemen contributed some jolly items.

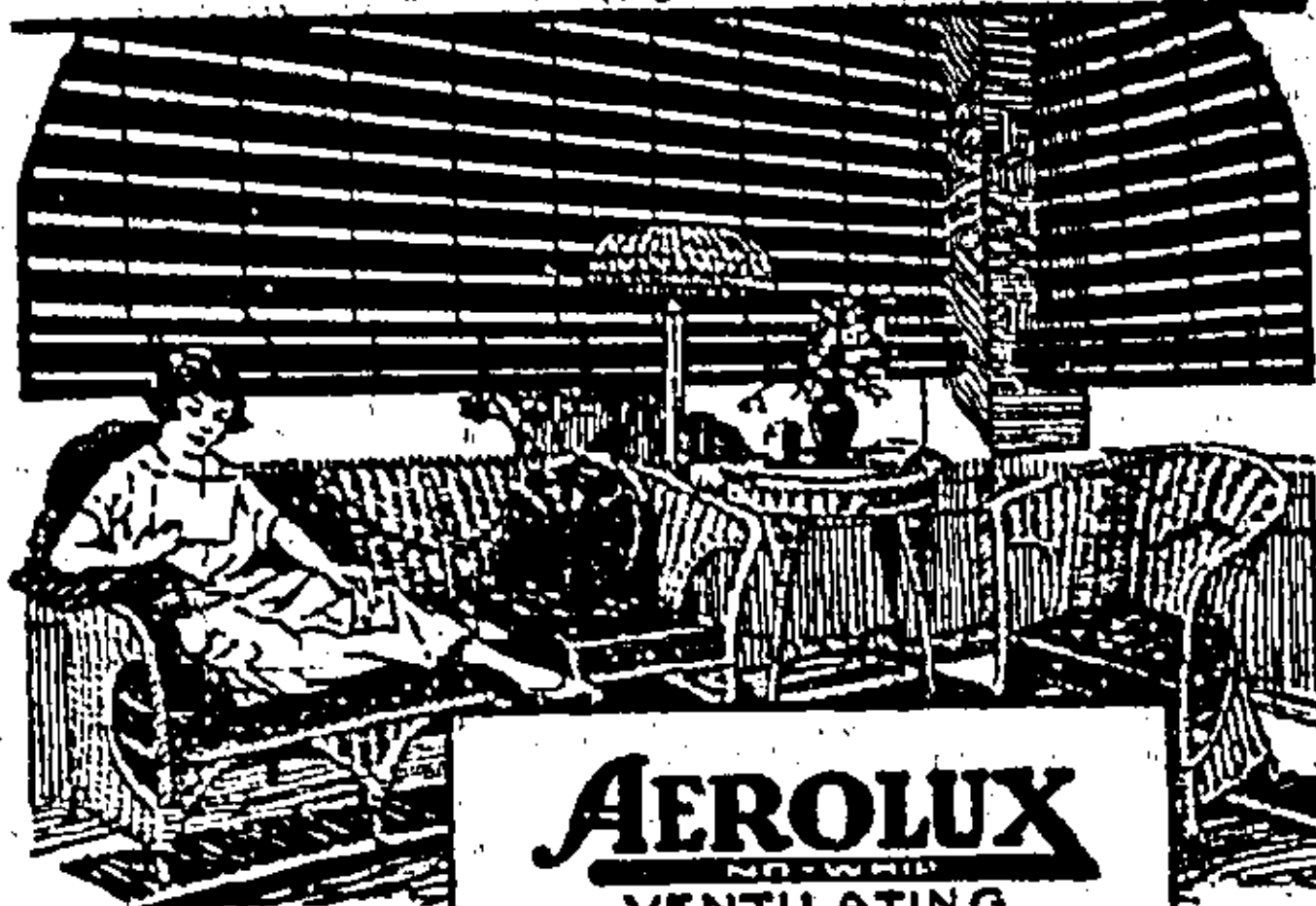
Among those who have already promised to appear at next Tuesday's concert are Mr. R. Sutherland, Mr. Burrell, Mrs. Davis, Dr. McCandless, Mrs. Sanger and Mr. Patterson.

namely Mr. Frank Austin, Messrs. W. L. Grice & Co., The China Agency, Messrs. A. P. Long, Messrs. A. P. Long, Messrs. A. P. Long, Messrs. A. P. Long.

The CHAIRMAN: That will conclude the business of the meeting.

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H. T. JACKMAN,
Water Authority,
Public Works Department,
Hong Kong, 29th April, 1927. [4384]

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By Order of the Directors,
L. J. BLACKBURN,
Engineer and Manager.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 29th APRIL, 1927, to 7th MAY, 1927, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the General Managers,
H. R. STURT,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 28th April 1927. [4357]

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W. E. HOLLANDS,
Hon. Secretary.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 2nd DAY OF MAY, 1927, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the GOVERNOR, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Mong Kok Trail in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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HONG KONG, APRIL 29th, 1927.

THE NEW CAPITAL.

NANKING has now been established with all due ceremony by the CHIANG KAI SHEK section of the Kuomintang as their capital city. A Political Council has been organized which, for the time being, will function as a Government.

Hankow, dominated by "evil conspirators" has been abandoned and disowned.

These changes in name, however, mean little or nothing to the foreigner and, as we have more than once pointed out, it would be a mistake to attach much importance to them. China for years past has been a country divided against itself. The Tschunghs in the various territories have never given anything but a nominal adherence to any central authority and it makes little difference to the general situation, as far as we can see, whether there are three Capitals or a dozen.

The point of interest is whether the new Nanking Government proposes to alter its policy or to "carry on" exactly as before under other leadership, and on this aspect of the question all information is vague and unsatisfactory. CHIANG KAI SHEK has issued a circular telegram in which he says that he will "respectfully obey" the orders of the Government "with all sincerity."

Nothing less could be expected from him considering that the Government is of his own creation. He is going to lead his troops forward "to wipe out all reactionaries and rebels and to put the Three People's Principles into effect," but that has been the declared policy of the Kuomintang throughout, and the result is chaos and the disruption of business and orderly routine, over a wide area. These high sounding phrases do not give any indication

of how an improvement will be effected and it is worthy of note that all reference to the responsibilities incurred in relation to the Foreign Powers is studiously avoided.

The declared policy of the Political Council in Nanking is as indeterminate as CHIANG's own statement. The chief planks are (1) to effect a democratic administration; (2) to push on the revolution; (3) to overthrow the militarists, reactionaries, communists, traitors, plotters and men of double dealing; (4) to support the Three People's Principles of the Kuomintang, and (5) to abrogate the unequal treaties and to reclaim the foreign concessions by peaceful negotiation. Mr. EUGENE CHEN's, or perhaps even Mr. BORODIN's draft of the Kuomintang programme would have been similar to this. We have always been told that the foreign concessions were to be reclaimed by "peaceful negotiation" and have seen such negotiations in progress at Hankow. The experience was such that we believe, every foreign resident sincerely hopes there will be no repetition of such mockery. We can leave CHIANG KAI SHEK and his associates to decide how best they can establish a "democratic administration, and what measures they may take to overthrow their political opponents who come under the heading of reactionaries, communists and traitors, but the only negotiations which will satisfy the foreigner will be those concerned with reparations to be made for the Nanking outrages. Until that outstanding question has been settled satisfactorily, the whole of the Nationalist movement will be suspected wherever its leaders may be.

It is admittedly a cause of satisfaction that the extremists who have been involved in the movement in all manner of follies during the past two years are being driven from their positions of responsibility, but that is only one step in the right direction. These agitators will soon gather again if the old routine is to be pursued and the campaign of hatred against the foreigner is continued. The Nationalist movement, to be ultimately successful must retrace its steps, put its relationship with the foreigner on a firm and fair basis, and endeavour to secure the support of the whole of the people—including the merchant classes—for a reasoned and practical programme of reform. There might then be some chance of its establishing a stable and respected Government. But the adoption of such a plan would need courage and we doubt whether CHIANG KAI SHEK has either the courage or indeed any sincere desire to attempt anything of the sort.

On Wednesday three cases of enteric and one of cerebro-spinal fever were notified. All were Chinese.

No. 9 Platoon Rifle Club are holding their third meeting at the Peak Range on Sunday, commencing at 8.30 a.m.

There will be another entertainment for the Services at the "Cheer O' Y.M.C.A., Chater Road, this evening.

The Hong Kong Dance Club are holding their first fancy dress and carnival dance at Messrs. Lane, Crawford's Cafe this evening, beginning at 8.30.

Mr. J. E. Henry has been appointed Manager of the Hong Kong branch of Reuters, Limited, from May 1st, in the absence of Mr. F. R. Jones, on leave.

The death occurred on March 21st at Nanties, after a long and painful illness of Madame Mousion. She was an old resident of Hong Kong and had many friends in the Colony.

Mr. J. M. Walker of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, with Mrs. Walker has arrived in the Colony on the a.s. *Aloua* and will proceed to Manila to-day (Friday).

The Engineer Company of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps are holding their annual dinner, which shooting prizes will be presented on Friday, May 6th, at Headquarters.

C.E. Major-General C. O. Luard, C.B., C.M.G. (G.O.C. South China Command) will attend the dinner and concert of the Mounted Infantry and Armoured Car Companies at Volunteer Headquarters on Monday night. After the dinner there is to be a cabaret concert, the artists including eight of Hong Kong's most talented ladies.

A number of Police Officers are departing on Home leave from the Colony by the a.s. *Malva* to-morrow, and more will commence their furlough in a fortnight's time. Those leaving to-morrow include Chief Detective Inspector T. Murphy, Sergeants Field, Roberts (Traffic), Kelly, and Lance-Sergeants Duncan and Walsh. In addition, the *Malva* will carry Mrs. W. G. Gerrard, wife of the Assistant Superintendent of Police, and the wife and family of Inspector A. N. Reynolds. During Mr. Murphy's absence, Inspector Reynolds will be acting Chief Detective Inspector. Sub-Inspector J. Brennan, of the Guard's Office, left the Colony with Sub-Inspector A. Nicoll, Kowloon Traffic Police, yesterday by the a.s. *Anyo Maru*.

FIRM HAND IN CANTON.

PAN-PACIFIC CONFERENCE SQUASHED.

BANDIT ACTIVITY IN THE DISTRICTS.

SUN FO TO BECOME A MODERATE?

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

The Pan-Pacific Labour Conference which was to have been held in May 1st in Canton, if it takes place at all, is likely to be something of a farce. The original committee responsible for the arrangements has been virtually proscribed by the pro-Chiang Kai Shek military authorities, who are on the look out for its members. Nor are the present officials in Canton likely to extend the usual goodwill and courtesy towards the expected delegates who were invited from as far afield as Siam and Persia. The said delegates, however, are not rolling up in this force as their brother Bolsheviks hoped, some having been "detained" by their own home governments. Chinese in the Straits and at Hong Kong were expected to provide financial aid and also to entertain delegates passing through on their way to Canton, but recent developments of the Chinese labour movement have put many of these Chinese labour unions under a cloud, and Kuomintang clubs especially are being pretty closely watched by foreign governments. Both at Canton and at the usual ports of call detectives and police are likely to replace the proposed "reception committees" and the tours of inspection will be limited to the shortest route to the local goals. A few of the more enthusiastic members of the committee, now lying low in Canton, still say that there will be a conference, but it is doubtful whether it will follow the original lines. The Soviet Mission in Canton who were entrusted with drafting the declarations, slogans and usual manifestoes on the rights and liberties of workers are finding their own rights and liberty considerably curtailed in Canton where they once ruled the roost.

Taking advantage of the order issued recently at Canton to arrest "Red" suspects, destroy "Red" literature and prevent all attempts to depreciate Central Bank notes, bandits and pirates throughout Kwangtung are now preying on the unarmed inhabitants of the country districts. To check further lawlessness at Canton have issued a stern warning with regard to false arrests and malicious prosecution.

The Supreme Court and the Court of Appeal in Canton have been ordered by the Extraordinary Commission administering Canton Affairs to accept no orders or instructions from the Ministry of Justice at Hankow where the Minister of Justice is the notorious George Hsu Chien. The Canton Courts are to consider themselves under the supervision of the Kwangtung Provincial Commissioner of Justice who, under ordinary circumstances, has supervision only over the district and city courts of first instance. The Kwangtung Provincial Commissioner of Justice until the recent *coup d'etat*, was Hsu Chun Pa, a brother of George Hsu Chien. The new Commissioner is Mr. Chen Yang, a brother-in-law of ex-Governor Hu Han Min. Hu has just entered the service of the Nanking regime, having made it up with General Chiang Kai Shek, who exiled him to Russia a year ago.

The pickets of the Canton Strike Committee are to be reorganized, under a pro-Chiang Kai Shek basis, and the present authorities are coming out the "Reds." The pickets at one time numbered 4,000, but now number less than 1,000, divided into 15 companies.

The Seamen's Union is also in the hands of pro-Chiang Kai Shek leaders who have just issued a manifesto denouncing the "Reds" and swearing allegiance to the Nanking regime.

Newspapers entering Canton are now subject to strict censorship.

Efforts made by the friends of Mr. Sun Fo to persuade the Extraordinary Commission in Canton to retain his name on the Canton Municipal Council have failed, and Mr. Lin Wen Kai, a personal friend of ex-Governor Hu Han Min of Canton, will replace him. Mr. Lin will probably be made chairman of the Council, a position sometimes called Mayor in Canton. The membership of the Council is to be increased from 18 to 30. Mr. Sun's friends are sorry to see the son of the former Kuomintang Chief ed. judged a "Red," but it is said, Mr. Sun has told his admirers in confidence, that he will join the Nanking faction as soon as he can get out of Hankow, and escape from Mr. Borodin's clutches.

Canton is to have a permanent "anti-Red" society, organized by followers of General Chiang Kai Shek. This is quite different from the one organized by General Chen Chung Ming, Chien Tsin Pak, and others two years ago. That organization sought to overthrow Kuomintang, but this merely seeks to suppress the "Red" element within the party.

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THE PROCESSION.

QUIET AND ORDERLY.

DAILY EXECUTIONS REPORTED.

[FROM A SHAMKIN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, April 29th.

To-day the much talked of procession, passing in the City and, up to the time of writing, 1.30 p.m. nothing untoward has happened.

Crowds of Chinese strikers or workers were seen passing over Shaki towards the City at about 10 a.m. They looked quiet and orderly. At the Customs House there was a strong posse of armed police stretching as far as the French gate to prevent the procession from going towards Shamkeen. At 12 noon there was a deafening noise from firecrackers. Most of the people taking part in this procession had white bands round their arms.

Every day it is reported that a number of Reds have been shot in the East Parade Ground, and as far as we can judge the authorities have matters well in hand. Even thefts by snatching are being put down with a strong hand. Such a case came to my notice a day or two ago. An Indian gentleman had a gold tipped fountain pen which was in his waistcoat pocket seized by a Chinese youth of about 18 years. He gave chase and the snatcher was caught and handed over to the nearest Police Station. Here the officer in charge sentenced him out of hand to be beaten. One constable produced a good sized bamboo and started in, when he was tired another constable took up the work. The snatcher was writhing on the ground. The complainant in the case pleaded for mercy for the wretch but he was told not to interfere.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending April 29th, 1927, amounted to 95,791 tons, and the sales during the period to 63,319 tons.

For hawking dried tiger's flesh in Shaukiwan without a permit, a Chinese was fined \$4 with the alternative of five days' hard labour by Mr. R. E. Lindell, at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

A white dog, which is still at large, attacked and bit Mr. L. Huggatt in the right hand at Nathan Road on Wednesday. Mr. Huggatt went into the Kowloon Hospital for treatment.

FAMINE FEARED IN LARGE AREA OF CHINA.

CHANG TSO LIN ON CHIANG KAI SHEK'S POLICY.

HANKOW'S DEPLORABLE CONDITION.

CHINESE BUSINESSES CLOSING UP.

AGREEMENT AGAIN CRITICISED.

The situation of Nationalist China, outside Shanghai, is becoming more tense and complex. The conditions in Hankow are becoming worse, and famine is feared over a large area, including Hankow itself and parts of Honan and Hunan.

Marshal Chang Tso Lin appears to wish it to be known that Marshal Chiang Kai Shek has not yet severed all connection with the Russian "Reds", and that he is unlikely to oppose their supporters in Hankow.

Hankow's "Reds" are, on the other hand, stated to be eager to attack Chiang at Nanking. Their military advisers are, however, opposed to such action.

The Hankow Agreement was adversely criticised by Mr. L. N. Lee, Chairman of the China Association, who advocated a policy of conciliation and strength on the part of the British Government.

SITUATION MORE TENSE AND COMPLEX.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, April 28th. The situation of Nationalist China outside of Shanghai is growing more tense and more complex. Hankow appears to take seriously the Fengtien threat to come down the Peking-Hankow Railway.

To-day's wireless news states that the Nationalists have been thrown back on the Honan front in more than a minor encounter.

A wireless message from Kuomintang states that the retreating Hankow forces are flooding in and lending colour to unconfirmed reports that Chiang Kai Shek is moving against Hankow. Meanwhile, Hankow's internal situation is becoming worse.

The embargo on silver is disastrously affecting the little remaining business and Chinese businesses are closing up. Thousands of workers have been thrown on the streets with every prospect of starving, as the supplies to the city have greatly diminished owing to the embargo and the unwillingness of the peasants to grow surpluses owing to the danger of seizure.

Hankow is not the only place likely to face a famine, as reports from many towns in Honan and Hunan speak of mobs starving and looting and destroying. All the Chinese in these provinces as well as in Hankow who have anything to lose are endeavouring to get out to Shanghai.

Meanwhile, Peking telegrams state that while the Northern military are adopting a waiting policy, hoping that internal strife will so weaken the Kuomintang that it will no longer endanger the North and while the Powers apparently are also hopeful that Chiang Kai Shek's anti-Communist policy will solve their problems there are increasing evidences that the Hankow and Nanking factions will not allow their quarrels to plunge them into conflict, both realising that this is only playing into the hands of Chang Tso Lin.

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"CONCILIATION AND STRENGTH" ADVOCATED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

London, April 28th.

Speaking at the annual general meeting of the China Association, Mr. L. N. Lee, the Chairman, declared that it was difficult to see whom the Hankow Agreement benefited. The British suffered immediate loss in depreciated assets, while the Chinese traders and businessmen were brought to a standstill. Its only benefit was that it had made it impossible for the Chinese to have no power to keep their share of the Agreement, however desirous they might be. Closer cooperation with the Chinese was the aim to which all minds were directed in the revision of the Tientsin Convention and the future administration of Shanghai, but the changes must be safeguarded at every step. The Government ought to decline to enter upon fresh negotiations until they had received complete satisfaction for the Nanking outrages and until they had received reliable assurances that it was dealing with responsible parties, who would honour their agreement. An apparently negative policy in China would be foredoomed to failure. He felt that the Government appreciated but could not stand immobile on the basis of arrangements made when China was a very different country from what it is to-day. The elements of success lay in a policy of conciliation and strength.

THE "PENGUIN" INCIDENT. FOUR SAILORS WOUNDED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, April 27th.

Information received from the Senior Naval Officer at Shanghai is to the effect that the U.S. minesweeper *Penguin* has arrived there after an engagement with guns just below Kiangyin yesterday. Four American sailors were wounded by rifle fire. The *Penguin* returned to the fire.

noted that Nationalist troops are already returning to Hankow from the Honan front.

Part of the 8th Army which has been stationed at Kwangchow has been moved.

Changsha Anti-Bolshevik.

In view of the report last week that the Peasants' Union had taken complete control of affairs at Changsha, it is interesting to learn that a definite move is being made in Hunan Province to oust the Bolshevik element, and that the Soviet Consul at Changsha has had to leave. He arrived at Hankow yesterday and went into hospital.

White Flags Showing Near Nanking.

NANKING, April 27th.

White flags were exhibited at the Wu Lung Sha Port and Morrison Point to-day, and there was very little cross river firing.

H.M.S. "Cockchafer" Again Fired On.

On her way to Nanking, H.M.S. *Cockchafer* was fired on with rifles and machine-guns. The *Cockchafer* replied with machine-guns.This is the third occasion within the space of three days that H.M.S. *Cockchafer* has been deliberately fired on. On the 24th, fire was opened on her from the International Export Company's premises, while on the 25th, when fifteen miles above Chinkiang, she was subjected to heavy fire from field guns which she silenced with her main armament.

Chiang's Troops Arrive At Kiangling.

KIUKIANG, April 27th.

General Chiang Kai Shek is beginning a movement to clean up the situation in the district. He has started a big anti-"Red" movement, and has sent troops to Nanchang to eliminate the Communist element.

Units of the 2nd, 3rd and 8th Armies have arrived at Kiuikiang.

Apologies For The Wuhu Incidents.

WUHU, April 27th.

Ample apologies have been made to the British in connection with the recent incidents, when foreigners were prevented by armed men from landing, except singly.

The 7th Division have departed down river, and it is understood that the 15th Division, who are the only troops remaining at Wuhu, will leave to-morrow.

Groundless Kongmoon Rumours.

Serious trouble has been expected to develop at Kongmoon in the last few days, but Naval wireless messages now to hand indicate that the fears were deliberately spread by alarmists, and have little foundation.

Martial Law At Amoy.

Chefoo and Amoy are now quiet, and there is no change in the situation at Amoy except that martial law has been proclaimed.

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AMERICA'S POLICY IN CHINA.

FURTHER LONDON PRESS COMMENT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

London, April 27th.

The *Daily Telegraph*, in an editorial on President Coolidge's speech, outlining his foreign policy, dwells on the difference between his policies in China, Mexico and Nicaragua.

It says the terms in which Mr. Coolidge defended the latter policy fully justify an interpretation thereof as an extension of the Monroe doctrine, with a view to assertion of the right to intervene in affairs in the American republics in the interests of good government and political stability. Mr. Coolidge's claim goes far beyond any made by the British Government with regard to China. If the United States can help to establish settled and peaceful conditions and political freedom in Mexico, Nicaragua and other States, that result would be welcomed everywhere, and not the least heartily in Britain, whose economic interests there are not inconsiderable; but while that policy is being pursued, it should not be possible for Mr. Coolidge to suggest that Britain has taken undue advantage of her position of commercial predominance in China.

The character of the American Government's policy in China is exclusively its own affair, but among the considerations which have dictated it, any objection in principle to the assertion of economic interests or the cause of civilisation in weaker foreign communities can hardly be numbered.

U.S.A.'S FOREIGN POLICY.

COMMENTS THROUGHOUT AMERICA.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, April 28th.

President Coolidge's speech on foreign policy is still being discussed throughout the country, a eulogy of criticism, respectively, spontaneously pouring out in Republican and Democratic newspapers. President Coolidge's allusions to a Central American policy is naturally singled out for special comment, the Republicans glowing with satisfaction and the Democrats deprecating it. The latest move of Mr. Stimson in Nicaragua has again brought into the limelight the proposed Treaty of Nicaragua, by which Nicaragua virtually becomes an American protectorate which is regarded as the thin end of the wedge into a revision of the Central American Treaties of 1923, whereby Nicaragua sovereignty and independence were recognised similarly with those of other Central States, though the United States was not a party to the treaties.

President Coolidge's declaration that the United States felt morally responsible for the Governments she recognised north of Panama has received the approbation of President Calles, and it is generally conceded that this principle should be extended to other Republics, neighbours of Nicaragua, where in the event of similar occurrences as in Nicaragua presumably the United States would use the same methods for consolidating the Governments she recognised.

FRENCH FOREIGN MINISTER CONGRATULATED.

M. BRIAND A DEPUTY FOR TWENTY-FIVE YEARS.

[THROUGH HAVAS AGENCY.]

PARIS, April 28th.

M. Briand received yesterday congratulations from a large number of French and foreign politicians and journalists on the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of his entry into Parliament, and told his congratulators that it is peace the world wants but much remains to be done before the goal can be attained. The path is long and difficult, and we are only just beginning to climb it.

According to the *Echo de Paris* the Government will consider measures to check the buying of *Defense Nationale* bonds, of which the legal limit—46 billions—has now been reached.

U.S.A. AND NICARAGUA.

A ROUND TABLE CONFERENCE.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

MANAGUA, April 28th.

Three representatives of the Liberal insurgents have gone to Managua from Puerto Cabezas aboard a United States destroyer to participate in Mr. Stimson's proposed peace parley. Sacaas himself declined the invitation. Mr. Stimson is credited with the intention of summoning both the Liberals and Conservatives to a Round Table Conference. His proposals include, firstly, that Diaz remain in power till December, 1928; secondly, immediate disarmament on both sides; thirdly, invitation to the Liberals to participate with the Government and fourthly, free elections next year under the supervision of the United States.

AMERICA'S TRADE.

INCREASED ACTIVITY NOTED IN MONTHLY REPORT.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, April 28th.

The Federal Reserve Board, in its monthly report, shows a further increase of industrial activity up to July 3rd, during which period the output of bituminous coal, crude petroleum, ingot steel and also the mill consumption of cotton surpassed any other month. Steel mill operations and bituminous coal production dropped since the miners' strike while the consumption of the silk and wool output and rubber tyres increased in volume. Building contracts were larger than in any previous month and the production of building materials increased.

BRITISH OVERSEAS CONGRESS.

EMPIRE GOVERNORS TO CONFERENCE IN LONDON.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 27th.

Officials of twenty-four self-governing British colonies, protectorates and mandated territories, including eight Governors, will attend the Colonial Office Conference which Mr. Amery opens on May 10th, and which is expected to last three weeks.

The agenda covers questions of general administration and economic administration relating to trade and communications, and problems of the technical services.

KENYA INDIAN GRIEVANCE.

Sir Edward Gregg, interviewed by Reuter, referring to a statement, reported to have caused indignation in India, that he declined to receive the Kenya Indian delegation in London, said he had received Mr. Jivanji, the head of the delegation, and had expressed willingness to see the delegation after Easter, but wrote, to Mr. Jivanji that without the permission of the Secretary of State it was impossible for him to receive Indians whom Sir Edward Gregg did not know to be residents of Kenya.

AN ANGLO-GERMAN AIR TRAFFIC AGREEMENT.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

LONDON, April 27th.

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Liter, President of the Board of Trade, stated in the House of Commons that the negotiations with Germany for annual air traffic agreement were making good progress, and he hoped it would be possible to sign the agreement at an early date.

U.S.A., NICARAGUA AND MEXICO.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

MANAGUA, April 27th.

Mr. Stimson, former United States Secretary for War, whom President Coolidge sent to report on the state of affairs in Nicaragua, has invited the Liberal leader, Sacaas, to meet him and discuss the situation, offering to place a destroyer at his disposal and guarantee him safe conduct.

MEXICO CITY, April 27th.

Commenting on the references in President Coolidge's speech, on foreign policy, to Mexico, President Calles declared he believed with Mr. Coolidge that it was not only possible but was also easy to reach an amicable settlement of all their difficulties.

THE BRITISH EMPIRE'S NAVAL DEFENCE.

PRIME MINISTER'S THANKS TO NEW ZEALAND.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 27th.

Mr. Baldwin has telegraphed to the Prime Minister of New Zealand, expressing His Majesty's Government's warm appreciation of the New Zealand Government's proposals for the naval defence of the Empire, especially the offer in connection with the Singapore base.

LATER.

Mr. Baldwin has sent the following telegram to the Prime Minister of New Zealand:

"Your announcement of the intention of His Majesty's Government in New Zealand to submit to the New Zealand Parliament a proposal relating to naval defence, including a contribution of one million pounds towards the cost of the Singapore base, has been received with deep interest by His Majesty's Government in Great Britain. We are glad that the discussions at the recent Imperial Conference should so speedily have been followed up in this manner, and I should like, on behalf of my colleagues and myself, to express our warm appreciation of the measures proposed for increasing the share which New Zealand takes in the naval defence of the Empire."

N.Z. Press Approves.

WELLINGTON, April 27th.

The New Zealand Press warmly approves of Mr. Coote's proposals on Empire naval defence, including the contribution of £1,000,000 to the Singapore base.

THE MISSISSIPPI FLOODS.

HUNDREDS DEAD: THOUSANDS HOMELESS.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

MEMPHIS, April 27th.

According to Mr. Hoover, Secretary of Commerce, whom President Coolidge has appointed to report on the flood areas, there are 200 dead and 150,000 rendered homeless.

The plight of scores of thousands of refugees in south-western Arkansas along the Mississippi delta is becoming hourly more serious.

Nearly 40 towns within a radius of 100 miles are reported to be flooded, raging waters battering against the walls of the houses and mounting the sides of knolls on which thousands of refugees cluster till found by relief workers, who traverse the desolate wastes of water aboard steamers, motor-boats, and aeroplanes.

TENDERS FOR STERLING.

WHOLESALE REJECTION AT BOMBAY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BOMBAY, April 28th.

The Deputy-controller of Currency has announced that all tenders for sterling received on April 27th were rejected. Tenders for £200,000 will be received on May 4th on the same conditions as previously announced.

POPULATING THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

OVER 110,500 GO OVERSEAS LAST YEAR.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

LONDON, April 27th.

The report of the Overseas Settlement Committee shows that the net emigration from Great Britain to all countries during 1926, that is the balance of emigration over immigration, was 110,538 compared with 84,250 in 1925.

A total of 68,103 settlers received assistance under the provisions of the Empire Settlement Act, against 39,559 in 1925.

They were distributed as follows: Australia, 32,732; Canada, 21,244; New Zealand, 11,795; South Africa, 232.

THE COMMONS AND THE TOBACCO DUTY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 27th.

The House of Commons, by 246 to 154, rejected a Labour amendment to reduce the duty on tobacco, and carried the main Budget tobacco resolution by 261 to 158.

WORLD'S CODE OF AIR SIGNALS.

A NEW DISTRESS CALL.

STATUS OF WOMEN PILOTS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, April 27th.

A new distress sign for a world's code of air signals was considered and adopted by the International Commission for Air Navigation which ended its sittings in London to-day.

In future any aircraft which is in difficulties not serious enough to warrant S.O.S. will send out the international signal of PAN, which is an abbreviation of the French word for breakdown.

Medical qualifications for male pilots were also examined by the Conference and a complete chart of qualities, physical and mental, which constitute the perfect pilot was drawn up.

A decision that in future women can qualify for certificates in aviation was also reached. This means that even the heaviest class of machines are thrown open to women pilots; the only provision being that women aviators shall be re-examined medically once in three months, instead of six as in the case of men. To navigate an air liner a woman would not only have to be a first class pilot but her muscular development and general strength would have to be much above the average and this decision, although it removes any grievance which may be entertained by women pilots, makes it unlikely that many will be employed except on small machines.

Another interesting decision is that in future all machines engaged on League of Nations work, urgent or otherwise, will be painted across in broad line lettering which they go. If a crisis arose in Europe the League of Nations would be able, if necessary, to send out a fleet of aeroplanes so marked. Regulations which will make for still greater safety of airways were passed and approved. Pilots following a railway or canal will keep to the left and will only cross at right angles.

A new chapter concerning the standard minimum requirements for airworthiness certificates was also adopted.

PERSIA'S "EXTRALITY."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TEHRAN, April 27th.

The Shah, opening the Supreme Court of Justice, said he hoped the extraterritorial privileges would eventually be abolished.

OBITUARY.

EX-SENATOR A. BEVERIDGE.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

INDIANAPOLIS, April 27th.

The death has occurred of ex-Senator Albert Beveridge.

[The late Senator Beveridge was born in Ohio in 1862, and started life as a labourer. After working his way through a University course, he took up Law, and became a well-known advocate and Republican orator. He entered the Senate in 1899 for Indiana.]

EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Paris 124

New York 4.85.23/32

Brussels 34.93

Geneva 25.25

Amsterdam 21.13

Milan 92.1/10

Berlin 20.49

Stockholm 18.15

Copenhagen 18.21

Oslo 18.60

Vienna 34.92

Frankfurt 16.34

Bucharest 750

Rio 6/27/32

Buenos Aires 471

Bombay 1/5/57/84

Helsingfors 1924

Madrid 27.64

Lisbon 2.17/23



The WOMAN'S PAGE

PORCELAIN AND GLASS.

THEIR DECORATIVE VALUE.

The young housewives of to-day have firmly set their faces against the Victorian passion for "cellarage." Those tiresome small tables crowded with "Goss" ware, silver trinkets, or Dresden pieces, are banished from modern homes. But living here in the East, we realise, perhaps more keenly than at home, the decorative value of a porcelain vase, or plate, in the furnishing scheme, because we see them continually in the shops.

Hangings, carpets, and cushions create a sense of warmth which is not desirable in the hot weather; but, when we clear them out, it leaves the room looking bare and under-furnished, and we miss the unifying note of colour which they gave. It is here that a vase or other piece of plain but clear-coloured porcelain or glass can be used with effect, and such treasures look their best in somewhat bare surroundings as the Japanese have well demonstrated.

What Is An Ornament?

Such pieces need not be of any great value provided that they are



AN AFTERNOON FROCK AND EVENING DRESS IN ONE.

The popularity of the cardigan and of the bolero is responsible for a very useful vogue—a "suit" which includes two dresses, for the cardigan is removable to show a sleeveless frock beneath. Note the petal hem of the dress and the new whim of having the back longer than the front.

beautiful in themselves. At the Sign of the Lantern you will find a great variety of oriental ware which would be admirable for the purpose, but it must be chosen with regard to the general furnishing scheme of your room. An "ornament," is not an ornament when it is out of harmony with its surroundings. Take for example a very lovely covered porcelain bowl in five coloured Peking ware. The ground is ivory white and is covered with a flower pattern in pale pinks, blues, greens and bluish tones. One feels at once that such a piece belongs to the boudoir. It would be lost in a room with a strong colour scheme where a large Kwang Yee vase with a mottled glaze in lovely blues and mauves would be a cool and decisive note. To the more formal and sparsely furnished room, a large shallow cloisonné bowl in a deep lavender blue, would, with its fine gold gleaming design, give the necessary note of richness.

Small Spots Of Colour.

The decorative value of blue and white ginger jars is obvious, but it is astonishing how much one small well placed spot of colour can achieve. I saw a set of pink enamel samurai cups, with a bright many coloured design, which would look lovely in a blackwood cabinet; and a plate of fluted green glass which, if placed on a stand, with its back to the light, would glow like an emerald. A desert service in Japanese lacquer, finger bowls and plates of gold and black, or red and black, with a dainty flower ornament is a fit and lovely accompaniment to a summer meal.

CURIOS.

MORE STORIES FROM QUINNEYS.

There is no gift so abused as taste. Only children and savages are entirely unbiased in their likes and dislikes. Many adults may protest that they make their purchases solely to please themselves, but they are none the less largely influenced by the public opinion of their age and environment. Ancestor worship is not confined to the Chinese. "My mother always liked it," and "What was good enough for my father is good enough for me," are phrases which are continually turned on in defence of some hideous household god.

But perhaps the least genuine taste of all is that of the possessor of the "little knowledge" which is stigmatised as being a dangerous thing. How many among the thousands of spurious Corots decorating American houses to-day were bought because of a real appreciation of the great painter? Corot for that picture. That is the label and the picture's value to its owner in sixty per cent. of the cases. That "little knowledge" which is the trap for the amateur collector is the fortune of the dishonest vendor and the faker.

Curio Collecting.

Curio buying is an art. Some people are born with natural good taste which leads them to select the really artistic productions of any period. Others learn by years of study the distinguishing marks of a particular school or artist; and there is a third class of buyer who judges a curio by two standards only its age and price. Neither antiquity nor high price are any criterion of artistic worth. No price, provided you can afford it, is too high for a treasure of which the possession will be a constant joy. There are other people to whom curio collecting is a form of madness akin to that of the miser; they collect not for profit or pleasure but for the sheer lust of possession. Of course, to the genuine collector even a piece which is in itself ugly or inartistic may have great value in filling a gap in his collection, just as the ordinary English half penny stamp has its proper place in the album of the most distinguished philatelist.

A Curio Fifty Thousand Years Old.

Mr. Komor has many amusing stories to tell of the curio hunter, and like all true artists he waxes eloquent on the folly of valuing an object in proportion to its age. He told me of a lady who came into his shop in Tokyo in search of a Satsuma vase and of the lesson he taught her. The vase he showed her was a hundred years old, but that she considered it too modern "Why," she said, "I have already a curio that is three thousand years old, a brick which came out of an Egyptian tomb." "Indeed," answered Mr. Komor, "I can show you a curio of far greater age than that," and turning to his boy he instructed him in Japanese to fetch the said curio. The lady eagerly examined what appeared to be a grey stone lying on a bed of cotton wool in a small box. "What is it," she asked. "A flint Madame, from the sea shore," was the answer. After this it was not long before the two became friendly, and Mr. Komor showing her his treasures brought her to his own way of thinking and convinced her that to buy what pleased her personally was far wiser than spending her money on uninteresting relics of doubtful antiquity.

The Peach Blue Vase.

Another curious trait of the amateur collector is to imagine that their knowledge of antiques is greater than the dealer's. Occasionally, of course, this is so but such self-opinionated persons as a general rule deserve what they get; and are imposed upon, often purposely, sometimes against the dealer's wishes. The famous story of the "Peach Blue Vase" well illustrates such a case. A certain dealer of San Francisco, bought a Chinese porcelain vase in a Shanghai sale for ten dollars, and in his absence it was placed in his shop with the auctioneer's ticket Lot 10,000 still on it. A lady liked it, asked the price, and was told by a newly engaged and none too bright assistant \$10,000 gold, where on she bought it. When the owner returned to his shop and was shown (Continued on next column).

BY THE WAY.

TOWELS FOR THE SEA SHORE.—Whiteway, Laidlaw's have some coloured turkish towels which are excellent for bathing parties and only \$1.75.

TO PREVENT DISHES SLIPPING.—Dishes placed on ice are very apt to slip. The difficulty can be overcome by placing a large rubber ring on the ice before putting the dish in position.

PORTABLE ICE CHESTS.—Caldbeck Macgregor are stocking an excellent make of ice chests specially designed for travellers. But the larger size is equally useful for household purposes. These "Tundice" chests use very little ice and are reasonably priced.

ENAMELLED ICE CHESTS.—Whiteway, Laidlaw have also a new ice chest of British make in white enamel which is far easier to keep clean than the American wooden chest.

SEMI-MADE SUMMER DRESSES.—I saw in the same shop some very charming semi made embroidered voile dresses, in a wide range of colours and designs. The Swatow Lace Company have a similar thing



Jumper suit in white Radium crepe trimmed with coloured embroidery.

in a slightly different material which comes from the Philippine Islands. Anyone could make a delightful dress from these lengths in a very short time, all you have to do is to sew up the side seams and gather or shirr the waist, the neck sleeves, and hem lines are already done.

the cheque he was horrified, and to "save face" sent a messenger post haste to the lady to ask her to return the vase as it had been previously sold to another customer. This she refused to do, and when he told her that the vase was worth at the most \$20 she made the inelegant reply "Rats" and insisted on keeping her purchase. Still this honest dealer was uncomfortable, and, when some four years later, the strong minded lady died, he attended the auction of her goods and bid at once a high figure for the famous vase. But he was outbid and it went for 14,000 gold dollars to another "learned" collector!

Such stories as these told in Mr. Komor's own inimitable way with a twinkle in his eye, show one the folly of going curio hunting with small knowledge in small shops. It does not pay a well known dealer to be dishonest, and as a general rule he is a man like Mr. Komor with a genuine love of art, who knows the value and the story of nearly every piece in his shop. A reputation for fair dealing is of far more value to him than \$10,000 made over the sale of a fake.

SHOES.

Footwear has always been a source of delight and extravagance to women, but never, perhaps, since the days of the Plantagenets, have shoes been so fantastic as to-day.

"Unsuitable," "absurd," and "extravagant" are the opprobrious terms flung at our footwear by the upholders of the good and solid Victorian tradition, and by jealous men. For men, most of them, like colours as much as we do but they haven't generally the courage of their convictions, even the Fair Isle pull-over craze being soon jotted out of existence. Why not a Brighter Husbands campaign? Don't you think its time they adopted a more rational and becoming mode?

The Shoe Factory To-day.

The model shoes bought by an English factory come generally from a famous house in Paris and often cost as much as £30 a pair. From one model a dozen or more variations are designed, and stiff card-board composition patterns, bound with metal, are cut by an expert. The shoes are built up like a model dress, each expert concentrating on his or her speciality. Smart young things bend their shingled heads over the embroidery, the button holing and binding of the shoes. When the delicate leathers or fabrics, go to the room where men sew the uppers to the soles, the shoe is put into a protective paper shield, cut and sewn to its exact shape, so as to avoid any risk of the material being soiled.

Evening Shoes.

Gold predominates in shoes for evening wear, and they are mostly cut in extravagant sandal shapes with high spike heels. There are some very lovely models to be found here now, at Rolande Sarraut's; a gold red and green brocade bound with gold kid and a somewhat similar shoe at Lane, Crawford's. The last named shop have two models which are particularly lovely one in nude satin strapped with silver kid, and the other in a deeper shade nude with a front made of broad-ed silk which exactly imitates lizard. Rolande Sarraut has a very chic and simple little shoe in sea green satin and several in the new French mode of silk embroidery on a simply cut beige satin shape, and at Powell's I saw a demurely attractive shoe in grey brocade silk strapped with gold kid. The same shop had two other really gorgeous shoes, one in stamped gold kid, and the other in black satin with strappings of gold kid radiating over the whole back part of the shoe, a gold heel and a diamond buckle.

A New Summer Walking Shoe.

The latest summer walking shoe is made of beige canvas. That does not sound very attractive perhaps, but if you see Lane, Crawford's collection you will see that it is exceedingly smart. The canvas is so fine that it looks like suede and it is bound or strapped in most of the models with kid. The patterns and tones are exquisite, one shoe has exactly the effect of lizard skin, and another has a graded diamond pattern which is particularly soft and pretty. These shoes are ideal for a hot climate. The material is much cooler than skin and the cut though smart is loose and comfortable.

Coloured Kid.

Coloured kid shoes are ones more having a big vogue, and our old favourites, lacquer red and apple green are appearing in the latest cut. From Paris via Madame Sarraut come a number of less conspicuous tones, among which a deep plum coloured pump, and a smart little navy shoe tied with a ribbon bow at the instep, were very attractive.

Chinese and Indian Brocades.

I saw some pretty Chinese slippers at the Swatow Lace Company for bedroom or negligee wear; they are made of good satin with leather soles, are really exquisitely embroidered in short stitch embroidery mostly in rose and dragon designs. These shoes are from \$1.50 a pair and they have also the cutest little shoes for tiny tots. The Pioneer Silk Store have a lovely range of Indian gold and silver brocades for covering shoes.

"SWIFT SHUTTLES OF AN EMPIRE'S LOOM."

Japan, the flowery land, with her dainty butterfly ladies, has always fascinated the West, but I did not know until I paid a visit early this week, to the Pioneer Silk Store, that it is Japan which is producing many of the most lovely materials we are wearing to-day. Nor did I realise what a variety of these same lovely materials there are. Tinsell laces, in soft shades and exquisite patterns, dainty figured georgettes, chiffon velvet brocades, and gorgeous satins, make a bewildering display of loveliness. If the customers want to look at every roll of material in the shop before making a purchase who can blame them? It is not often one has a chance of seeing so many beautiful things at once, and each seems more desirable than the last. Unless you are one of those strong minded women who know exactly what she wants, which after all takes half the fun out of shopping—a delicious hour will slip away before you have come to a decision.

Figured Georgettes.

The new figured georgettes fascinated me most. There is no person, old or young, for whom a special pattern and colour does not seem to have been designed. Georgettes in pale pastel colours, with a small flower embroidered in silk of just a tone deeper, would be equally pretty for a child's party frock or for a dance dress, and has a suggestion of freshness and youth which is particularly becoming to English fairness. Another range of soft colours, with some really delightful designs among them, have a small woven-in design in pale metalised thread. One very lovely material is in the palest lemon yellow with a silver gilt coloured pattern. This material suggests itself for either afternoon dresses or dance frocks for women of any age. A bold floral all over pattern in embroidered silk on another range of almost colourless georgette; in this material blacks, greys, and darker colours predominate, though there are also pale shades; and the more formal pattern suggests their use by older women or alternatively for coats or sleeveless waistcoats.

Tinsel Thread Laces.

Silk lace has been very popular lately; now Japan is sending us the metalised laces which French dress designers have made popular for use either on the more elaborate evening dresses, or veiled with georgette in bands on afternoon or dance frocks. The examples I saw at the Pioneer Silk Store are in range of very lovely colours of which an *au cas de nil* and a pale apricot were exceptionally charming.

Magnificent Brocades.

Woven for obis are magnificent brocades some lavishly decorated with metal threads, others with a wealth of rich coloured patterns. As I saw several pieces of these brocades hanging up in the shop, I felt, as every lover of beautiful things must, that it would be a shame to cut them to make obis or still more to cover shoes, which is the purpose for which they are largely bought. The bold patterns and rich colours remind one of the hangings which Memling and other Madonnas's throne, but alas few modern houses could suitably accommodate such hangings, and so we must enjoy them on cushions and on shoes.

FAIRY PUNCH.—Two grapefruit, 5 oranges, 2 lemons, 1 gill crushed pineapple, 1 cyphon soda water (14 pts.), 1 lb. sugar, 4 pt. water. Boil the sugar and water together for 6 minutes; add to it the juice of the grapefruit, oranges, lemons and crushed pineapple. Stand and chill 2 hours. Add iced soda water before serving, and serve with thin slices of cut lemon.

Balloons for the Children.—Three little almond eyed persons were made very happy in the Pioneer Silk Store the other day, by the possession of balloons, every child who enters the shop is given one, which is a very charming form of advertisement.

TINY GRASS PUSSES.—Among the few shipment of Colombo grass bags just received at the Sign of the Lantern, are any number of tiny little purses, which are very useful to keep inside the larger ones for money or powder puff.

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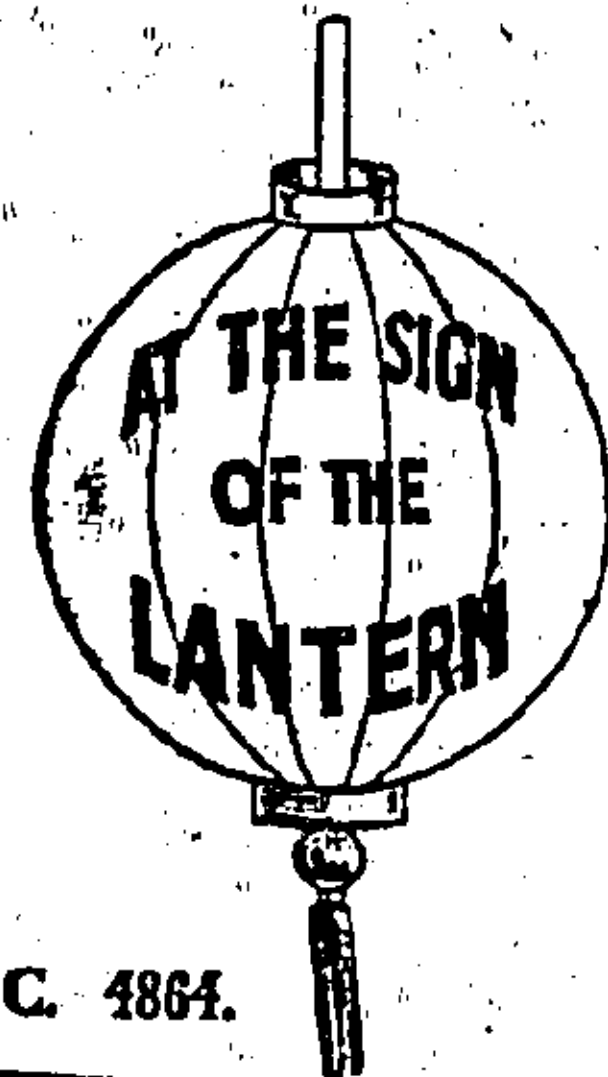
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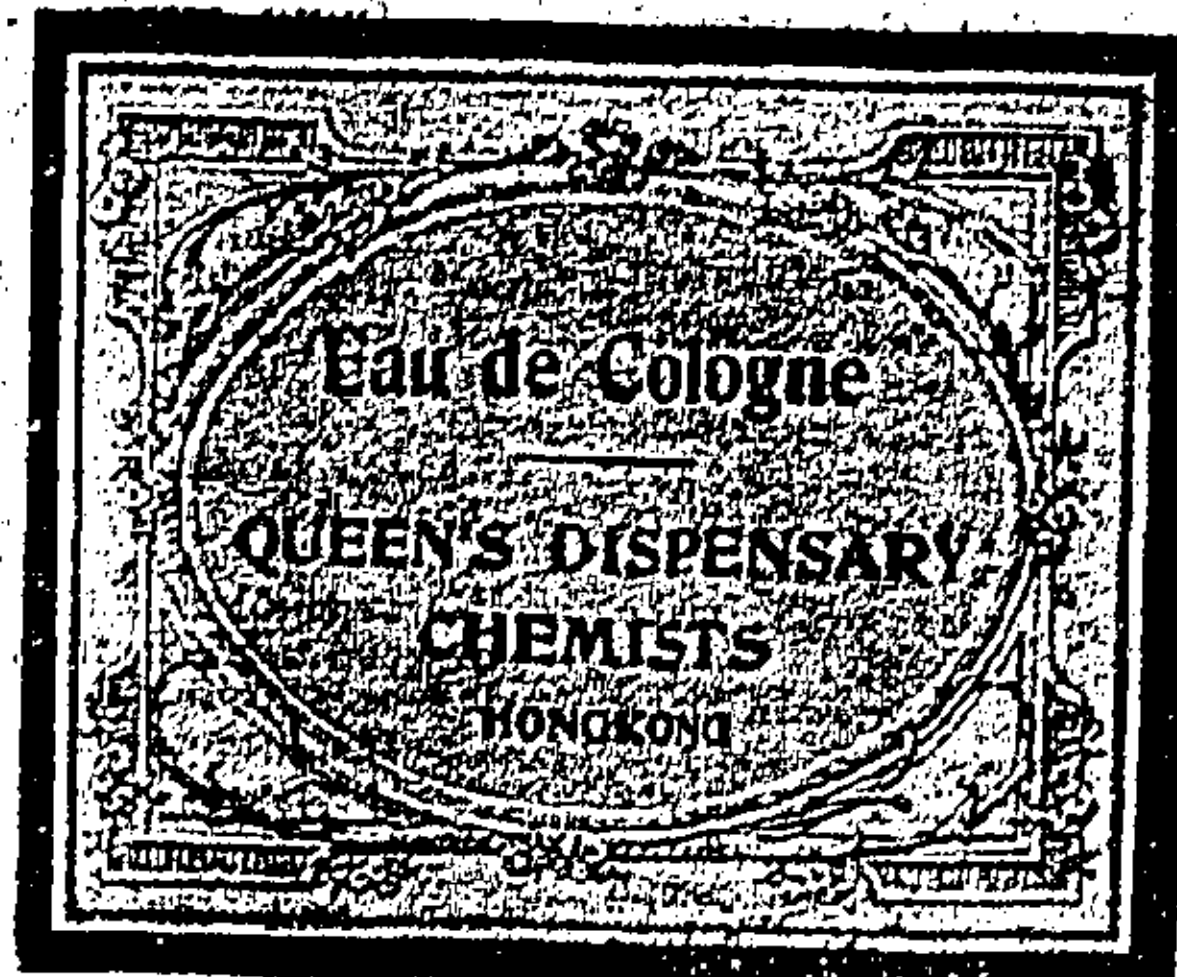
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CONSIGNATION—TRANSIT—REPRESENTATION.

Shipping News Arrivals and Departures, etc.

ARRIVALS.

April 27th.
 British str., 2,080 tons, Capt. G. H. Penfold, from Singapore and Amoy, with firewood and general cargo, lying at buoy No. 111.—B. & S.
 Chung Hing, Chinese str., 249 tons, Capt. Leung Shu Kong, from Kwang Chow Wan, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 61.—Hong On S.S. Co.
 Shansi, British str., 1,770 tons, Capt. C. Stringer, from Shanghai, which port she left on April 24th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 101.—B. & S.
 Chungwang, Chinese str., 447 tons, Capt. Kwok Shan, from Tientsin, with general cargo and cattle, lying at buoy No. 101.—Yau Lee & Co.
 Fendai Yarn, Japanese str., 2,039 tons, Capt. T. Miyazaki, from Dairen, which port she left on April 24th, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. 101.—M.B.K.
 April 28th.
 Empire Arrow, American str., 4,660 tons, Capt. J. E. Jacobsen, from Karachi, which port she left on April 4th, in ballast, lying at Laidholm.—Standard Oil Co.
 Huashan, Chinese str., 1,791 tons, Capt. O. Torgersen, from Keesburg, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. 101.—M.B.K.
 Kato Maru, Japanese str., 1,130 tons, Capt. Y. Okura, from Swatow, with coal and general cargo, amounting to 250 tons, lying at O.S.K. Wharf.—O.S.K.
 Moros, British str., 10,953 tons, Capt. E. J. Thornton, R.D., from London, which port she left on March 25th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.
 Nyansa, British str., 4,331 tons, Capt. L. M. Gordon, from Bombay, which port she left on April 12th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.
 Oyama Maru, Japanese str., 2,369 tons, Capt. J. Horike, from Port Arthur, which port she left on April 21st, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. 101.—M.B.K.

CLEARANCES.

April 28th.
 Chungking, for Kwang Chow Wan.
 Empire Arrow, for San Francisco.
 Haidin, for Saigon.
 Huashan, for Whampoa.
 Mingyin, for Swatow.
 Moros, for Shanghai.
 Nyansa, for Shanghai.
 Taina, for Singapore.
 Prudue, for Saigon.
 Prosper, for Canton.
 Shansi, for Canton.
 Shiyang, for Canton.
 Tak King, for Amoy.
 The R.M.S. *Empress of Asia*, which was originally due here yesterday afternoon, is now announced to arrive here this morning at eight o'clock. Delay by fog yesterday is the cause of her late arrival. She will berth at Pier No. 8, Kowloon Wharf.
 During the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday, there were 61 vessels in the harbour. Of these, there were 23 British, 1 American, 10 Norwegian, 1 German, 6 Japanese, 12 Chinese, 4 Dutch, 2 Portuguese, 1 French and 1 Danish.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, April 29th.			
	Previous Day	On Date	On Date
	at 2 p.m.	at 6 a.m.	at 1 p.m.
Barometer	29.79	29.84	29.82
Temperature	79	69	81
Humidity	68	55	64
Wind	—	—	—
Direction	West	Calms	West
Force	2	0	2
Weather	B	O	B
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature, 27th: 79
 Lowest open-air Temperature, 23th: 69

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From April 29th to May 5th, 1927.

High Water.				Low Water.			
Day	Month	Time	Height	Day	Month	Time	Height
Fri.	4	7 52	5.6	h. m.	h. m.	4 11	1.8
Sat.	5	7 58	5.5	h. m.	h. m.	4 23	1.8
Sun.	6	8 19	5.1	h. m.	h. m.	4 15	1.5
Mon.	7	8 23	5.0	h. m.	h. m.	4 11	1.1
Tues.	8	8 47	4.5	h. m.	h. m.	4 10	0.2
Wed.	9	9 27	4.1	h. m.	h. m.	4 51	0.6
Thur.	10	10 20	3.7	h. m.	h. m.	4 15	2.0
	11	0 49	4.5	h. m.	h. m.	4 42	3.3
	12	1 5	5.1	h. m.	h. m.	4 03	4.0

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Kashmir (P. & O.), due May 13th.
Malaga (P. & O.), due this morning.
Mantua (P. & O.), due May 20th.
Misopore (P. & O.), due May 10th.
Nellare (P. & O.), due June 23rd.
Nosara (P. & O.), due June 23rd.
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Preussen (Jensen), due May 19th.
Saarbrücken (Melchers), due today.
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June 22	San Francisco	Homeric	July 23	C'burg-S'hmpta July 29
June 29	Seattle	Leviathan	Aug. 1	P'mth-C'burg Aug. 7
July 6	San Francisco	Majestic	Aug. 8	C'burg-S'hmpta Aug. 12
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WAKASA MARU ... Saturday, 28th MayBOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.
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Shipping News

Daily Statement, Waterfront
News, etc.YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT
RETURNS.LOCAL AND THROUGH
CARGOES DOWN.BRITISH STEAMERS BEST
CONTRIBUTORS.

There was a considerable decrease in through freights during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday and local imports were no better. Of the ten arrivals during the period, six were British and consequently most of the cargoes both for the Colony and for ports beyond were on British vessels.

The imports of general merchandise into Hong Kong amounted to 5,293 tons. Of these, 3,445 tons were discharged from six British steamers. A shipment of 4,000 tons of timber was also landed here. These were brought by the s.s. *Mau Sang*, from Sandakan.Freights for ports beyond Hong Kong were carried by six vessels and amounted to 7,963 tons. Five British steamers accounted for 5,293 tons. The two best returns were 2,700 tons and 2,125 tons. The former were manifested by the new French liner *Athos II*, from Marseilles and Saigon and the latter by the s.s. *Nyanga*, from Bombay and Singapore.

During the period under review, there were 10 arrivals and 15 departures. The nationalities were:—British, 8 arrivals and 7 departures; Japanese, 1 arrival and 3 departures; Norwegian, 2 departures; Chinese, 2 arrivals and 1 departure; French, 1 arrival and 2 departures.

The following were the cargo carriers:—

S.S. *Mau Sang* (British) from Sandakan, 540 tons general, 4,000 tons timber for Hong Kong and 553 tons general for other ports.S.S. *Anhui* (British) from Singapore and Amoy, 430 tons general for Hong Kong.S.S. *Suiyong* (British) from Shanghai and Swatow, 440 tons general for Hong Kong and 230 tons for other ports.S.S. *Taiwa* (British) from Osaka and Amoy, 915 tons general for Hong Kong and 655 tons for other ports.S.S. *Shanai* (British) from Shanghai, 800 tons general for Hong Kong and 1,700 tons for other ports.S.S. *Nyanga* (British) from Bombay and Singapore, 518 tons general for Hong Kong and 2,125 tons for other ports.S.S. *Athos II* (French) from Marseilles and Saigon, 130 tons general for Hong Kong and 2,704 tons for other ports.S.S. *Tenda Maru* (Japanese) from Dairen, 1,600 tons general for Hong Kong and 2,700 tons for other ports.S.S. *Cheung Kong* (Chinese) from Tientsin, 250 tons general for Hong Kong.S.S. *Chung Hing* (Chinese) from Kwang Chow Wan, 170 tons general for Hong Kong.

WATERFRONT NEWS

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RETURNS.

[BY LONGSHOREMAN.]

Alter Part Of "Tjileboet."

The bisecting of the s.s. *Tjileboet*, stranded at Lingling Island since April 5th, was successfully finished yesterday. The fore part of the vessel is still on the rocks, and it will be left there for the time being. The stern part was towed back to Hong Kong late last night.Mr. Q. Van Ufford, of the Java-China-Japan Line, went to the scene of the wreck yesterday morning, and on his return reported that dynamite played a part in the severance of the *Tjileboet*.

The rescued half of the stranded vessel will go to Taikoo Dock pending a decision as to her repair.

P. and O. Mail Steamer.

The P. & O. s.s. *Morea*, bringing the Home mail, dated London, March 31st, and parcels of a week earlier, arrived yesterday, and sailed later in the day for Shanghai and Japan, taking the outward Home mail for despatch via Siberia. The *Morea* had on board over 100 passengers of all classes, the majority of whom disembarked here. There were 57 first-class passengers, and 30 second-class passengers. The outward mail for Home this week-end via Suez is being taken by the P. & O. s.s. *Malwa*, and the mail closes to-morrow morning at 10.30.

The Boatwain's Haul.

A report made to the police by the Captain of the s.s. *Hinsang* states that a boatwain, to whom he entrusted \$800, made up of sixteen \$50 notes, with which to pay the crew and buy provisions, went ashore on Tuesday evening and has not been seen again.

"Hermes" Going To Shanghai.

The *Hermes*, which has gone to dock for alterations to her ventilation system, has now been ordered to Shanghai. Her planes are evidently needed to reinforce those of the other aircraft carrier up there, H.M.S. *Argus*.

Miscellaneous.

Arriving from the North on Wednesday, the s.s. *Taina* carried a supplementary crew for the s.s. *Teesta*, now engaged on transport duty.

While working cargo at No. 17 godown at Kowloon on Wednesday a Chinese was injured on the head and had to go to the Kwong Wah Hospital for treatment.

Commander G. C. Muirhead-Gould, who has commanded the ship *Bluebell* for the past year, having been selected for special service in China, Commander R. W. Blacklock, D.S.C., takes his place in the *Bluebell*, which ship was last reported under reef at Hong Kong. Commander Blacklock was promoted in June, 1925, and formerly commanded the minesweeper *Marston*, tender to the China Submarine Flotilla.

European Skipper Summoned.

Capt. Midgeley, master of the s.s. *Tai Lee*, was yesterday morning summoned before Lieut.-Comdr. G. F. Hole, at the Marine Court, for allowing his vessel to work cargo on Sunday last without a permit from the Harbour Authorities. Defendant pleaded "Not guilty."Police evidence was to the effect that on April 24th, at 3.50 p.m., three coolies were seen carrying 8 bags of flour from the Ping On Wharf onto the *Tai Lee*. From enquiries made on board the ship, a man who described himself as a travelling tradesman claimed the flour, and stated that he paid five cents freight on each bag. The man also produced a pass obtained from the Steamship Company entitling him to travel free. The Police officer then approached the No. 2 commodore, who admitted that he had no permit to handle cargoes on Sunday and asked to be excused.

Later, at 5.50 p.m. on the same day, the police saw 2 packages of rice and a basket of salt fish carried on board the same vessel. On going on board again, a further six bags of flour were seen in the European galley.

Asked by Capt. Midgeley as to why the Police sergeant did not call his attention when they boarded the vessel, the police sergeant replied that he had asked to see the captain, but was told that he was ashore. He, however, saw the Chief officer, who had admitted that no Sunday permit had been obtained.

Capt. Midgeley said that passengers on Kongmoon boats, always carry a great quantity of goods with them and asked if the sergeant were aware of this. The sergeant said he was quite aware of the fact, but the man to whom the eight bags of flour belonged to was a "Sui Hak" (a travelling carrier).

Sergeant Hudson gave corroborative evidence, and the pursuer of the *Tai Lee* said that on Saturday all cargoes had been received and hatches were closed. Orders were given that no more cargoes were to be received on Sunday. He said there could not have been any additional freights received on Sunday, because if he had, the delivery book would have to be chopped by him. The bags of flour referred to, he said, might probably belong to some passengers.The commodore of the *Tai Lee* was then put in the witness box, and Inspector Brown, prosecuting, said that he was not the man who had spoken to the sergeant when the Police boarded the ship. He would, therefore, ask his Worship for a remand in order that the No. 2 commodore might be asked to come forward.

A remand until Thursday next at 10.30 a.m. was granted.

Coxswain Fined.

The coxswain of the steam launch *Norge* was fined \$10 with the alternative of ten days' hard labour for firing crackers in the harbour without a permit, by Lieut.-Comdr. G. F. Hole, at the Marine Court yesterday morning.

Chinese Passengers.

No less than 1,592 Chinese passengers entered the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday. Of these 1,418 came from Amoy by the s.s. *Taina* bound for the Straits.P. & O., British India
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"LAHORE"	8,253	11th May	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"NELLORE"	8,553	14th May	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"JEYPORE"	8,318	20th May	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"NYANZA"	7,023	25th May	S'pore, Penang, Colombo, S'bay & Karachi.
"MOREA"	10,198	28th May	Marseilles and London.
"KASHMIR"	8,005	11th June	Marseilles and London.
"MANTUA"	10,402	25th June	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"KALYAN"	9,144	8th July	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	23rd July	Marseilles and London.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	8th Aug.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
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"TAKLIWA"	10,000	7th May	do.
"SANTHA"	7,754	14th May	do.

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Steamship	Tons.	From Hongkong (about)	Destination.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	22nd April, 4 p.m.	Manila, Sandakan, Tolo, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.
"TANDA"	6,956	3rd June	do.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,531	1st July	do.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	29th July	do.

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"TANDA"	6,956	8th May	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
"MIRZAPUR"	6,715	10th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KASHMIR"	8,985	12th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MANTUA"	10,943	20th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KALYAN"	9,144	8th June	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.

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